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BARRY READY TO FIGHT

Boxing legend Barry McGuigan is gearing up for his next fight – against plans by a Faversham strawberry grower to construct up to 8,000 polytunnels on his doorstep near Dargate.

The proposed expansion was rejected by planners at Swale council in August 2008, but owners of the Hernhill Nursery have vowed to continue to appeal. With 5.4 metre-high plastic structures, the original plan was rejected on biodiversity grounds and also because of the visual impact of the scheme.

Parish councilors and residents including the sportsman have vowed to continue protest against the planning application. The appeal will be heard on May 11.

■ BY JILL HURST

THE future of Faversham has been bolstered after the town received more than £200,000 to invest in the historic centre.

The money was secured by the Faversham Enterprise Partnership (FEP) as part of their town revival scheme, designed to protect and develop its business community.

FEP co-ordinator Ima Rix said: "Coming up with a regeneration strategy under the Faversham revival banner has enabled us to put together a £203,000 funding package to help local business and the town centre, with nearly half the money – £101,000 – coming from SEEDA. Contributions have also come from Kent and Swale councils."

"The Faversham Revival project was launched last March and was designed to attract funding for projects that will improve the town centre and prospects for its traders.

"It's been great to be able to bring this to fruition. Many other towns don't have the Faversham's self-help ethos and don't reap the benefits it brings."

Ms Rix said the money would be used to fund a number of regeneration projects including training for members of the business community, improved lighting and marketing.

FEP manager Laurence Young said: "It is widely recognised that well-maintained and attractive town centres act as business magnets, drawing in people for work, shopping and leisure.

"Support from local councils and business has been fantastic, particularly at a time of

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Zone gets booze-fuelled offences under control

■ BY JILL HURST

AN ALCOHOL control zone in Faversham town centre was hailed a huge success after seeing a significant drop in anti-social behaviour on its first weekend.

The scheme, launched on March 17, saw trouble decrease to just one incident on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20.

Swale community safety officer Charlotte Hudson said: "We have already seen some great results. On its first weekend in place, we had only one alcohol-related incident, which is significantly below the numbers we would usually expect on Friday and Saturday nights."

Not satisfied with just hearing the results, Ms Hudson together with members of the community safety unit took to the streets of Faversham on Monday to talk to people and businesses in the town.

"We felt this was a great opportunity to get out in the community to deliver the message and answer any questions personally," she said.

"We were met by a very positive public response, with almost every resident and business owner that we spoke to welcoming the alcohol control zone.

"We also posted leaflets at public buildings such as the library, supermarkets and off-licences."

Alcohol control zones are put in place by local authorities using delegated powers to tackle trouble hotspots associated with criminal or anti-social behavior.

There are now four control zones in Swale, and Faversham follows the success of schemes already running in Sittingbourne, Sheerness and



GREAT SUCCESS: Faversham's alcohol control zone and right, Charlotte Hudson

Leysdown. Within the specified areas police have the power to require the surrender of alcohol and containers, with those who fail to comply liable for arrest and prosecution.

A spokesman for Swale council said the goals of the scheme were clear, adding: "Our aim is to ensure residents, businesses and visitors are able to enjoy the benefits of Faversham, Sittingbourne and Sheppey.

"This should be without risk or fear of any nuisance or disorder caused by the behaviour of a few people intoxicated by alcohol in public.

"The order is not designed to stop the fun of the majority of well-behaved people enjoying the town, but if a police officer or council warden asks you to stop drinking in a public place because you are causing a nuisance and you fail to do so, this could result in a criminal prosecution and a fine of up to £500."



For more information about the Faversham alcohol control area contact Swale community safety unit on 01795 417193 or visit www.swalecsp.co.uk

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Summer threatens to beat all records

BROGDAL'S record for the hottest place in the country could be under threat this year, say experts.

The Faversham village reached the UK's highest recorded temperature at 38.5 celsius or 101.3 fahrenheit on August 10, 2003.

Positive Weather Solutions (PWS) has predicted this record will be smashed as average temperatures in June, July and August beat even those from 1976 – when summer temperatures exceeded 32 celsius for 15 consecutive days.

PWS has out-predicted the Met Office for the last two years and says it is confident Britain will see a barbecue summer.

A spokesman said: "There will be stifling temperatures making it possibly the warmest UK summer on record and placing it at least in the top three warmest summers ever.

Trader who sold beer to kids risks licence

A KEMSLEY shop will have its licence to sell alcohol reviewed after it was caught selling lager to under age youths.

Owner of Lakeside News in Todd Crescent, Andrew Cansdale has held an alcohol licence since October 2009 but police are now seeking a review of its conditions after catching several under-age youths who bought lager from the shop.

Among the conditions police have asked for before the licence is renewed are the installation of CCTV equipment, training for staff members and the display of posters on the premises highlighting the conditions of the sale of alcohol.

The renewal will be discussed at a meeting of the sub-licensing committee at Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, at 10.30am on Tuesday, March 30.

Town moving ahead, in spite of recession

CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE spending cuts and during one of the longest recessions on record."

Action for Market Towns spokesman Alison Earley added: "Faversham is a town we feel can be held up as a model of good practice in terms of continued work that goes into drawing in investment and developing projects that benefit both visitors and residents.

The good news doesn't stop there, as Kent and Swale councils pledged funding to help businesses with the launch of the FEP initiated Faversham Food Trails project.

The Faversham Creative Creek project kicked off this week, with artists taking up their new homes in Abbey Street.

To find out more, telephone Ima Rix at the Faversham Enterprise Partnership on 01795 539339.

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Husband dragged wife by the hair, court told

■ BY JILL HURST

A WIFE beater from Sittingbourne evaded prison after telling a court the terrifying attack on his partner "wasn't as bad as it looks on paper".

Charlie James Mullett, of Phillipa Court, was last week convicted by town magistrates of assaulting Kerry Comsitt.

He was caught when police, who were fixing a CCTV camera near the family home, heard shouting from a house. They rushed to intervene after witnessing Ms Comsitt being dragged across the front garden by her hair, back into the property, after she tried to escape.

In the house, police found Ms Comsitt begging Mullett to hand over their infant child. He would eventually thrust it into the arms of one of the officers.

Dressed in jeans and a jumper, Mullett told the court the attack sounded worse than it was.

He said "I understand I did wrong and my relationship has broken down as a result of my violence, but I don't think it's as bad as it sounds on paper. I didn't think it would be treated this seriously."

Magistrate Tina Richards told him: "This type of assault could result in a prison sentence."

"What makes it more serious is it is a domestic assault, there was a child involved and you caused harm and injury."

Despite the warning, Mullett was given a 24-month community order and told to attend a domestic violence rehabilitation programme.

Ms Comsitt, who suffered bruising, did not appear in court. She no longer lives with



PICTURE POSED BY MODEL

NO EXCUSES: More than 20,000 calls for help were made by victims of domestic violence to police in Kent

Mullett. In the last year, Kent police received more than 20,000 calls for help from victims of domestic violence but just 1,700 charges were brought, as victims fear going through the court process and seeking help.

Rebecca Parry, Swale's domestic abuse coordinator, urged victims of domestic violence get professional advice.

She said: "The one-stop shop in Sittingbourne provides an opportunity for victims of domestic abuse and their families to access a variety of agencies. Whether you're looking for advice and

support or want to leave an abusive situation, it's vital to access the right advice – from safety through to finances.

"We have agencies offering advice on housing, floating support, legal advice, general support and housing benefit."

The one-stop shop is open on Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 11am at Phoenix House, Central Avenue, Sittingbourne.

Swale domestic abuse information line is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by telephoning 01795 434300.



DISTURBING: Paedophile Alan Hannaby

Convicted abuser's child porn images

A PERVERT from the Isle of Sheppey convicted of 20 child pornography offences has been jailed for three and a half years.

Alan Hannaby, of Ranelagh Road, Sheerness, last week pleaded guilty at Maidstone Magistrates' Court to ten offences of distributing indecent images of children and ten offences of making indecent images of children.

The 51-year-old was caught after police searched his home in December, 2008, and found almost 2,500 images, including 30 so disturbing they were classified as level five, which includes sadism and bestiality.

The court heard how Hannaby had previous convictions for indecent assault on two girls and inciting gross indecency and gross indecency in 1995.

After the trial, Det Con Mark Tyler said: "Hannaby has repeatedly demonstrated he is a danger to children. His distribution of images of children being abused encourages further abuse and continues to victimise vulnerable children featured in the pictures."

Anyone with information on this type of crime can call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.stopitnow.org.

Arsonist strikes?

POLICE were called to a burning car that was deliberately set alight in Minster.

The vehicle was dumped and torched in Scrapgate Road at 11.54pm on Sunday, March 21. One crew of firefighters from Sheerness tackled the blaze.

It is not yet known if the fire is linked to the Sheppey arsonist. Police have launched an investigation.

Museum launch

SITTINGBOURNE heritage museum will be formerly re-opened at 9.30am on Saturday, March 27.

The ceremony in the newly-refurbished museum in East Street will be presided over by the President of the Sittingbourne Heritage Museum, Mayor Adrian Crowther, and Honorary Alderman Peter J Morgan.

To find out more about the museum, contact Mr Morgan on 01795 423215.

Fire in chimney

A BUILD-UP of tar caused a chimney fire at a house in Kings Down, Lynsted on Saturday.

Firefighters said the chimney caught fire after a gas fire overheated, causing the tar to ignite at about 7.15pm. The owners of the houses were warned to sweep the chimney before using the fireplace again.

No injuries were reported.

Prison for railway robber who targeted schoolboys

A COWARDLY robber who targeted schoolboys on trains in Swale has been jailed for 18 months.

Matthew Batt, 21, of Annesley, Nottinghamshire, pleaded guilty to four counts of robbery at Nottingham Crown Court.

Batt targeted his first victim, a 13-year-old schoolboy, on a train between Sittingbourne and Sheerness on February 23, 2007.

He prevented the boy from leaving the train, threatening him with violence until he passed over his mobile phone.

Batt's next targets were two 15-year-old boys returning from a day out in London on March 9, 2007.

He cornered the boys, threatening them with violence unless they handed over cash. The lads handed over their money but were noticed by friends who called the police.

Officers found Batt hiding in a car park at Rochester station.

After the verdict, Det Sgt Allan Thomson said: "Batt targeted his victims because they were young, vulnerable and afraid of being attacked if they didn't comply. This despicable behaviour is nothing short of bullying and will always be met with zero tolerance by police."

"Despite being subjected to frightening experiences, the victims were



JAILED: Robber Matthew Batt targeted young victims travelling by train

able to provide officers with excellent descriptions of Batt, which assisted in bringing him to justice.

"We welcome the sentence given to Batt and hope it sends a clear message."

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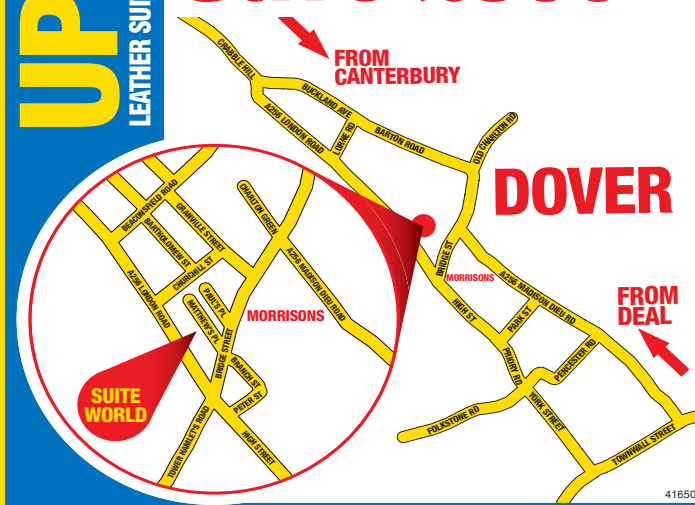


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Palace sign up Ross, 9, after trial triumph

EXCLUSIVE

BY JILL HURST

A SCHOOLBOY keeper from the Isle of Sheppey was signed on the spot by a national football club after "playing a stormer" of a trial session.

Westminster Primary School pupil Ross March will now travel from his home in Sheerness to Crystal Palace three times a week to train with top coaches at the club and compete in the under 10s squad.

Nine-year-old Ross's signing could be the start of some exciting opportunities for Swale youngsters after the training academy that got him the trial announced their plans to open a football training centre in Sittingbourne.

Soccer Elite Academy owner Lee Stiller said: "It's great news about Ross. We are thrilled for him.

"He showed a natural talent from the start and securing a place at Crystal Palace means his career is already afoot. He played a stormer of a game and they signed him on the spot.

"My business partner Tony Brown and I both come from a professional football background and we want the kids to have the same opportunities we had, so when someone like Ross is accepted by a national club it's a great feeling.

"Fingers crossed it will all work out and he will be taken on as an apprentice when he finishes school.

"While we've helped more than 40 kids in the Maidstone area get signed up to national squads, Ross is the first from the Isle of Sheppey and just the second from Swale, following in the footsteps of The Westlands School pupil Jack Healey who was signed to Northampton FC a few months ago.

"We plan to open a football academy in Swale within the next few months. Hopefully, this will give more kids like Ross and Jack a chance."

Ross's Dad, Darren March, said the family were over the moon at the news. He added: "We are really proud that he has done so well at such a young age.



HE'S A KEEPER: Ross March was signed by Crystal Palace after Soccer Elite Academy arranged a trial

"This all happened because of the Soccer Elite Academy. They spotted Ross's potential immediately and got him trials with the club. We are really grateful to them.

"He has already played his first competitive game and he did really well. Hopefully this will lead to a career for him."

While everyone around him celebrates, Ross's attention is firmly fixed on the result: "Yes, it's good and my friends are very pleased. We played Ipswich today and won 4-1. It was really good."

To find out more about the Soccer Elite Academy visit telephone 01622 661 358 or visit the website at www.soccerelitefa.com

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NEWS IN BRIEF

M2 death crash charges

TWO men have been charged with causing death by dangerous driving after a fatal crash last year.

On July 31, 2009, Jim Molloy, 58, from Broadstairs, was killed in a crash involving five vehicles on the M2 between junctions 3 and 4.

David Steele, 55, of Dane Close, Hartlip, and Edward Parker, 51, of Sportsman's Cottages, Kings Hill, were both charged on Tuesday, March 9.

They will appear at Sittingbourne Magistrates' Court on Tuesday, March 30.

■AN electrical fault caused a people carrier to catch fire in Faversham on Monday, March 22 at 8.30am.

Firefighters said the vehicle was well alight on their arrival to the scene in Ashford Road.

No injuries were reported and the fire was out by 9.11am.

Twinning anniversary

FRENCH visitors will attend a celebration in Faversham to mark the fourth anniversary of the twinning of Upchurch village and Ferques.

Mayor of Swale Andrew Crowther will accompany his French counterpart, the Mayor of Ferques, Denis Joly, to the event which will take place at the Shepherd Neame Brewery in Court Street on Saturday, March 27 at 11am.

For more information about the event, telephone Jim Harman, chairperson of the twinning group on 01634 235420.

Delivery van thief in court

A THIEF who targeted store delivery vans was convicted at Sittingbourne Magistrates Court on March 10.

Gareth Auckland, of Homewood Avenue, Sittingbourne, pleaded guilty to stealing four plasma television screens worth a total of £4,000 from Argos Direct between September 30 and October 2, 2009.

The 21-year-old was sentenced to 250 hours of unpaid work, to be completed within the next six months. He was also ordered to pay £85 in court costs.

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Keep your tools under lock and key

GARDENERS are urged to be on the alert as the onset of spring brings with it an upsurge in shed break-ins.

Police are warning owners to be prepared and protect their property as the warmer weather sees thieves targeting garden sheds, garages and outbuildings which are often packed with expensive tools and machinery.

Swale crime reduction officer Adrian Fromm (pictured) issued a number of tips to scupper plans of a would-be thief.

"Lock garden equipment away securely using a heavy duty lock with a built-in 120 decibel alarm.

"Disable mowers and chain expensive equipment together or to an anchor point. Keep an inventory of your equipment and record serial numbers. Make sure everything is marked with your postcode or with a forensic marking solution." For more advice call Mr Fromm on 01795 419393.





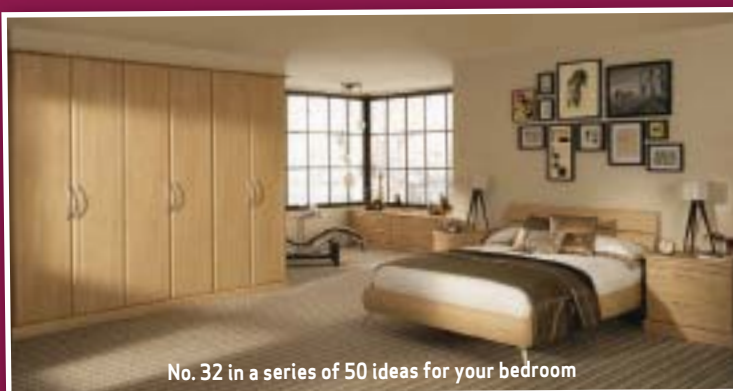
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Hard graft over for workers at fruit museum

HORTICULTURALISTS at the world's largest fruit museum are having a well-earned rest after grafting more than 30,000 fruit trees this year.

Grafting season is the busiest time for gardeners at the Brogdale Farm-based fruit collection near Faversham, who have a finite period of time to get the work done.

Brogdale Farm manager Martin Cooper explained: "You can graft any type of fruit on to a standard base. We are the largest fruit museum in the world and we can graft and grow any type of fruit tree. Last year we grafted chestnut trees for the Duchy of Cornwall and we cultivated an apple tree for Prince Charles.

"Our most popular graft has always been and remains the Isaac Newton apple tree, but we also get a lot of requests for the Scrumptious apple – a crisp, sweet red apple.

"The chosen fruit branch is dipped in a wax seal and then taped to the branch of the root stock. The root stocks are about two to three years old – full of energy and vigour. We use

■ BY JILL HURST

these because they are healthy so the grafting is more likely to be successful. When the grafted branch releases sap we know it's worked.

"Essentially, grafting is the better science for tree growing. If you want Braeburn apples and simply sow the seeds in the ground you can't be absolutely sure you will get pure Braeburn or something mixed. Grafting gets around this."

More than 2,200 different varieties of apple, 550 of pear, 350 of plum, 320 of cherry together with smaller collections of bush fruits, nuts and grapes are grown in 150 acres of beautiful orchards. The trees are owned by the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and maintained by a small, specialist team working at Brogdale Farm.

David Morrice has been tree grafting for more than 40 years. He said: "It's possible, by using various techniques such as cold store, to extend the grafting season to May, but generally the bulk of our work is done between January and March. The most I've done myself is 20,000 grafts and that's a lot to get through."



FRUITS OF LABOUR: David Morrice and his team have grafted more than 30,000 fruit trees this year

With grafting season almost over, the small team of workers look forward to a two-week rest before the onset of the blossoming season, which will bring with it more than 30,000 tourists.

For details of the Fruit Museum visit www.brogdalecollections.co.uk or call 01795 536250. The farm will host a blossom walk weekend on April 17 and 18.

Councillors to switch to polling every four years

COUNCIL elections will take place every four years, in line with the national system after councillors voted for a change to the system.

Whole council elections will replace the old system where one-third of the council was re-elected every three years out of four. The complicated system was blamed for a low turn-out of voters and for being a destabilising influence on the authority.

It now seems likely that history will be made in 2011 when every Swale councillor will stand for re-election at the same time. However it's bad news for those due to stand in May this year as it will mean they will have to stand again in 2011.

Leader of the council, Andrew Bowles, said: "We hope residents will seize the opportunity the new voting system will give them and will use their right to vote. The new system should make it much clearer for residents to identify who their elected representative is and councillors will now be able to concentrate on council business safe in the knowledge they are all elected on a four-year term."

Voters who want to take part in this year's nation and local election process must register by 5pm, April 20. This is also the deadline for those who wish to apply for a postal vote or to change or cancel an existing absent vote arrangement.

The deadline for proxy votes is April 27. For more information visit www.swale.gov.uk.



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You were concerned about noisy neighbours causing a nuisance

One person was evicted after repeatedly causing a nuisance and ignoring warnings. Swale Borough Council, Kent Police and AmicusHorizon housing association are continuing to work together to deal with persistent anti-social behaviour and will take action through the courts when necessary.



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QUESTION & ANSWER

JOE PASQUALE



Q You're somewhat of a panto pro, how long have you been involved in pantomime?

A I've done 28 years of panto, so I've done quite a lot of this type of work. I've never done this show, but I've done musicals and plays – I did Mel Brooks' The Producers the year before last, so I've done a fair few bits and pieces.

Q How many times have you performed at the Central Theatre?

A Loads of times because I live here. I live in Rochester, so I know the area well. It's one of the reasons for doing this for me. I can get home every night. Normally at this time of the year we're out on the road. This year, for a month, I can get home every night which makes a change for me.

Q What are you looking forward to in this role?

A Everyone knows the story of the Wizard of Oz and the kids know the characters. You haven't got to build the character up. When the producer asked me to do it, he said you could do whatever you want. I thought I'd do the scarecrow as I could wear my own clothes.

Q How does being live on stage compare to working for tv?

A When you're doing live stuff, you've got the experience of the live audience to react to

you straight away. You know what their feedback is straight away. What you see is what you get [on stage], you can't go back and say 'oh, sorry can we do that again, I mucked it up.'

Q How significant was 'I'm a Celebrity...'?

A It was three weeks of my life that I really enjoyed, but everyone asks if it was life-changing. No, it was like going on a rubbish holiday with 15 people you'll never want to see again, then coming back like Elvis for three weeks. I'm not knocking it - if they asked me to do it again, I'd do it at the drop of a hat. I loved it. You came back a stone and a half lighter and constipated.

Q What are you looking forward to in the live show? What are you expecting from the audience?

A All these types of shows, you can rehearse for weeks on end but there is always something missing – the audience. That's why our rehearsal schedule is quite tight.

We only have about eight days of rehearsals. If you go over and over it, you're not sure if it is funny anymore.

Once the audience get in front of you, they're the ones that tell you if it is any good. Especially the kids, they are brutally honest. Adults will sit through two and a half hours of cack but kids, if they are bored, will get up, go to the toilet, text their mates or whatever. It's a different type of show working for kids.

Q So would you say it is important to introduce them to the theatre then?

A Yes. At the moment, all the kids know is what is behind a video screen. What's on the Playstation or X-box, what's on the computer or email or on the telly with 300 channels. So when they get into a theatre, they're like 'I didn't know it was like this.' I think it is important kids are introduced to live theatre.

Q What type of shows do you like to watch when you are looking on to the stage?

A Over the past couple of years with my son, who's 21 and an actor, we've said we have to see all these shows that have been running for 22-23 years. They've been running because they have something special about the show. So we've been to see Les Mis, The Phantom of the Opera and others.

Q What is the best show you've been to see?

A The best one we've seen is the Woman in Black. It's been running for 24 years now. It's a horror story and a ghost story. There are two people and they play about 12 characters each and it blew me away.

There's no set and it's all done with lighting and a bit of net curtain. It's the experience of live theatre and of two people holding an audience for two and a half hours. That is what live theatre is all about, experiencing something, not just watching it on a dead screen.

Q&A

The Rochester-based comedian talks to **Mathew Beech** at the launch of the Easter pantomime, the Wizard of Oz, about his love of live theatre, why he loves working in Medway and winning 'I'm a Celebrity...'

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Circus skills open up trio's path to future in the arts

■ BY JILL HURST

AFTER juggling the needs of thousands of children over six years, the efforts of an innovative youth arts worker are paying dividends.

Tom Kellett has worked at Sittingbourne Community College since 2005 and uses circus skills to engage youngsters who would otherwise struggle to fit into the standard academic system.

And so successful has the SittCom Circus been that three youngsters are preparing to forge careers from it.

Sixteen-year-old Kieran Allen believes joining the group at the age of 11 changed the course of his life and he has set his sights on becoming a performer.

Kieran said: "As soon as I heard about the circus I was interested. I was very shy and had problems engaging with people or making friends, but this was something I could do. I found I was good at something."

"The skills are never ending and I've not stopped learning since I started. I've also performed solo on stage, which is something I never believed I was capable of. Just standing here talking to a journalist would have been way out of my reach."

"While I'm learning carpentry as a back-up, I'd really like to do this full-time and we are searching for an agent."



BROTHERS IN ARMS: From left – Kieran Allen, Shane Harris, youth worker Tom Kellett and Jack Leech

Kieran isn't the only circus prodigy to have set his sights on the bright lights. Between juggling and unicycling 17-year-old Jack Leech also studies dance, singing and acting and hopes to go to continue his studies at university.

Jack said: "Tom is really good at his job. This has been a good way for me to make friends and feel less isolated. I hope to go to university now and have a career in the arts."

Shane Harris, 17, admits he struggled academically and had a rocky road at school, until getting involved in the circus.

He hopes to use his skills and become a youth worker. He said: "I got in a lot of trouble and was bored at school. I was in the lower sets. This has given me a different outlet. Tom is someone you can trust and makes you feel safe."

Mr Kellett said: "All kids are good at something, it's just a question of finding what it is and engaging with them. They are the ones that achieve and do the work. I just do my job."

To find out more about the SittCom Circus telephone 01795 472449 or click on the website www.sittingbourne.kent.sch.uk.

Rapid response to decline of swifts

IT'S a swift decline the RSPB is desperately trying to halt and the organisation is asking Swale to help.

Swift numbers have fallen rapidly in recent years and while the RSPB is not sure why, staff believe it could be because of the increase in building work or demolition.

The bird charity's Sarah Niemann said: "We want to build up a detailed inventory of the location of swifts and want people to report likely settlements or sightings."

"We know swift strongholds are in older parts of our cities, towns and villages and it's imperative we find out where so we can help to stop the decline."

"These birds don't touch down for two years after they first leave the nest and we need to ensure they have a safe, secure place to settle when they come down to breed. The call of the swift marks the start of the summer and to think we may lose them is devastating."

For more details or to record a nesting site, contact the RSPB on 01273 763603.

I'd never have guest

IT'S a fishy tale that put Sittingbourne in the top ten list for the most weird and wonderful requests made by hotel guests.

According to Premier Inn, a guest staying in the town asked if they could take a fish and chip dinner to a family member who had been rushed to hospital.

The odd request is number nine on the hotel chain's bizarre list, lagging behind the phone number of a dating agency, obtaining a rhino for a birthday present and a request for a new pair of trousers.

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Air ambulance searches for its fundraising heroes



TWENTY years ago Kent's emergency services changed forever with the introduction of a dedicated air ambulance crew.

Within just a week of its launch, eight people – two of whom would have almost certainly died – were saved by the service.

And since its introduction in 1990, this figure has soared, with hundreds now safe and well thanks to the committed crew.

But officials at the Kent Air Ambulance Trust have admitted the real heroes are those who spend their time raising vital cash to fund the £1.7 million needed annually to keep the service running.

And to show their appreciation, a special awards ceremony, sponsored by KOS Media, is being held to mark the 20th anniversary and thank the fundraisers.

John Tickner, chief executive of Kent Air Ambulance, said the awards – the first of their kind – acknowledge the huge support the charity has in the county.

He said: "This year marks a special anniversary in the life of the air ambulance, but this has only been made possible by the generosity of the people in Kent."

Since 1991, almost every penny of the £1.7m needed per year has come from public donations, with funds paying for doctors, fuel, training, equipment and medication. Officials are hoping to raise even more money so the service can also run through the night.

And in 1998, when a crash took the lives of pilot Graham Budden and paramedics Mark Darby and Tony Richardson, donations flooded in for a new helicopter bearing the initials of the casualties.

Lynn Hyder, county fundraiser at the air ambulance, said the charity is now inviting nominations from the public saying who they think should be commended for their fundraising efforts.

Ms Hyder said: "All these inspiring people have helped save lives through their generosity and we think these awards are a fitting tribute to show our thanks."

The black tie ceremony is being held at the Leas Cliff Hall in Folkestone on May 8.

To nominate someone, fill in the form (right) and send it to Freepost Kent Air Ambulance.

Life-saving service to hold special ceremony in honour of those who raise vital £1.7m needed each year

Kent Air Ambulance 20th Anniversary Awards

The Kent Air Ambulance are publicly acknowledging those who have fundraised on their behalf over the last twenty years. It is their support that has made it possible for us to save many lives in the county during this time.

Who can be nominated?

- ✓ Anyone that has raised funds for the Kent Air Ambulance and who you feel deserves recognition.
- ✓ Nominations can be made by anyone.
- ✓ Staff and crew, both past and present, are not eligible for these awards.

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TAKE YOUR PICK: KOS Media's annual show will see thousands flock to pick up holiday bargains

Travel and leisure show offers host of getaway deals

EXCLUSIVE deals for day trips, weekend breaks and holidays abroad will be on offer at KOS Media's third annual Travel and Leisure Show.

Last year's event was a huge success, with more than 4,000 visitors flocking to the Dover Cruise Terminal to find out more about the attractions available on their doorstep, as well as those on the other side of the Channel and beyond.

This year's show will be held at the same venue on Sunday, March 28, and promises to be bigger and better than ever.

KOS Media events manager Liz Hare said: "After two successful years the show has become the biggest of its kind in the region."

"With the variety of local tourist attractions, cruising holidays and many other leisure opportunities, it provides a great day out for all the family."

"In previous years many visitors have actually booked their holiday at the show itself or taken advantage of other great exclusive show offers."

This year's Travel and Leisure Show will take place just one week after the end of British Tourism Week, which aims to raise awareness of the importance of the industry to the national economy.

Among the companies represented will be many of the major cruise lines and ferry operators, with some great cross-Channel offers and short breaks available to book on the day.

Presentation

Coaching holidays will also be promoted, as will air travel through Kent International Airport at Manston.

Representatives from many of Kent's biggest tourist attractions – as well from the lesser-known 'little gems' – will be on hand to answer any questions visitors may have, and there will also be a presentation theatre with speakers covering a wide range of topics throughout the day.

As well as the large number of companies exhibiting at the event, there will also be a competition to win a two-week cruise courtesy of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines.

There are 31 other fantastic prizes to be won, including an overnight stay with dinner at Canterbury's ABoDe Hotel, a return Channel crossing provided by Norfolkline, and a family membership to Kent Wildlife Trust.

Children's entertainment, a licensed bar and refreshments will also be available throughout the day, which runs from 9.30am-4.30pm.

Admission and parking to the show is free, but visitors can beat the queues by registering for fast-track entry by visiting www.thetravelandleisureshow.co.uk for more information, or call Liz Hare on 01303 817172.

Grand designs recognised at awards evening

A RESTORED mausoleum, a house built from a railway carriage and Ashford's shared space scheme were among the winners at the Kent Design Awards.

The prestigious ceremony, organised by Kent County Council, saw architects behind some of the county's most iconic buildings recognised for their work.

Of the winners, the Darnley Mausoleum, in Cobham Wood, near Gravesend, received the first-ever project of the year award in memory of former leader of KCC Lord Sandy Bruce-Lockhart, who died in August, 2008.

Canterbury architects Purcell Miller Tritton and PAYE Stonework and Restoration of

London were applauded for their "labour of love" which brought the 18th century listed building back to life after years of vandalism, and a major fire in 1980.

KCC's innovative Ashford shared space scheme, which sees pedestrians and cars sharing the roads, picked up the town and village renaissance award.

And an unusual beach house, located near Dungeness Power Station and made from a 19th century railway carriage, was named the residential minor development winner.

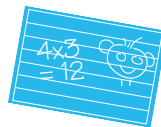
Judge Mathew Woodhead, director of urban design at DHA Planning in Maidstone, said the standard of buildings in and around

Kent is exceptionally high.

Mr Woodhead said although there were different categories with unique designs, there were four things judges were looking for.

"These were how the building interacts with the surrounding area; usability and who it was designed for; quality of the architecture; and whether key urban design principles were followed," he said.

"Personally, I was really impressed by the Quarterhouse. It is an iconic building for the community and it's already attracting lots of musicians and artists. Despite being modern architecture, the actual building follows the same principles as the older ones around it."



BREAK TIME

Author hoping to inspire youngsters

CHILDREN's author Jasper Cooper made a magical impression on children at a Faversham school when he visited during national literacy week.

Mr Cooper enthralled youngsters at the Lorenden Preparatory School, based in Painters Forstal, with his tales of dragons, albatrosses and unicorns.

The author of children's story Candara's Gift explained his theory for the best way to instil a love of writing in children.

He said: "I want to encourage children and tell them that just by writing a little bit at a time it is possible to write a book. I started by writing a page at a time after making up stories for my children at bed time."

"Before I knew it, I'd written an entire story."

His words clearly made an impact. By the end of the day many of the youngsters had already started on their first book.

You can help out at soccer tournament

THE annual links football tournament will be hosted by Abbey School in Faversham at 1pm on March 24.

The event is an opportunity for community groups to visit the school, help in running the tournament and encourage children to get involved in sport.

Sixteen schools are involved in the event. To find out more contact the school on 01795 532633.

Rugby player Dane wins chance to train with hero

A SCHOOL boy from the Isle of Sheppey has won a place in a rugby training session hosted by sporting legend Lawrence Dallaglio.

Dane Stickings, from Sheerness, received his call up when he took part in a rugby festival held at the Dartfordians rugby club.

He competed against hundreds of other school children aged between 10 and 16-years-old, at the event organised by Dallaglio and sponsored by Sacla, to earn his place.

The 15-year-old will now join about 100 children from all over the United Kingdom for an exclusive training session at Twickenham rugby ground on June 5.

Dane said he was thrilled when he found out he had a place, adding: "I'm so excited and looking forward to meeting Laurence Dallaglio at Twickenham. Hopefully I can learn a few things from him to help improve my rugby."

Dallaglio, was part of the national squad that won the 2003 world championship. He said: "I can't wait to meet Dane at the national training session and I was delighted to see him uphold-

■ BY JILL HURST

ing the core values of the game such as sportsmanship, discipline, teamwork, respect and enjoyment.

"We want to see more kids across the county being encouraged to get involved and spend more time playing sport."

"It's a great sport and through these festivals and the national training session we have the chance to pass on these important attributes."

Also delighted at the news is the chairman of Sheppey rugby football club, Neil Golding.

Resolute

He said: "Dane deserves his place having been singled out for his ability with the ball, resolute defence and excellent organisational skills. He is only in his second full season with the club but is becoming a really good player."

"Dane is now looking forward to meeting his hero and can't wait to play on the hallowed turf at Twickenham. This caps off a great few weeks for him as he has recently been called up for the east Kent district squad too."

For more information go to www.sacla.co.uk or telephone 0207 5935275.



HALLOWED TURF: Dane Stickings, 15, from Sheerness, is off to play at Twickenham

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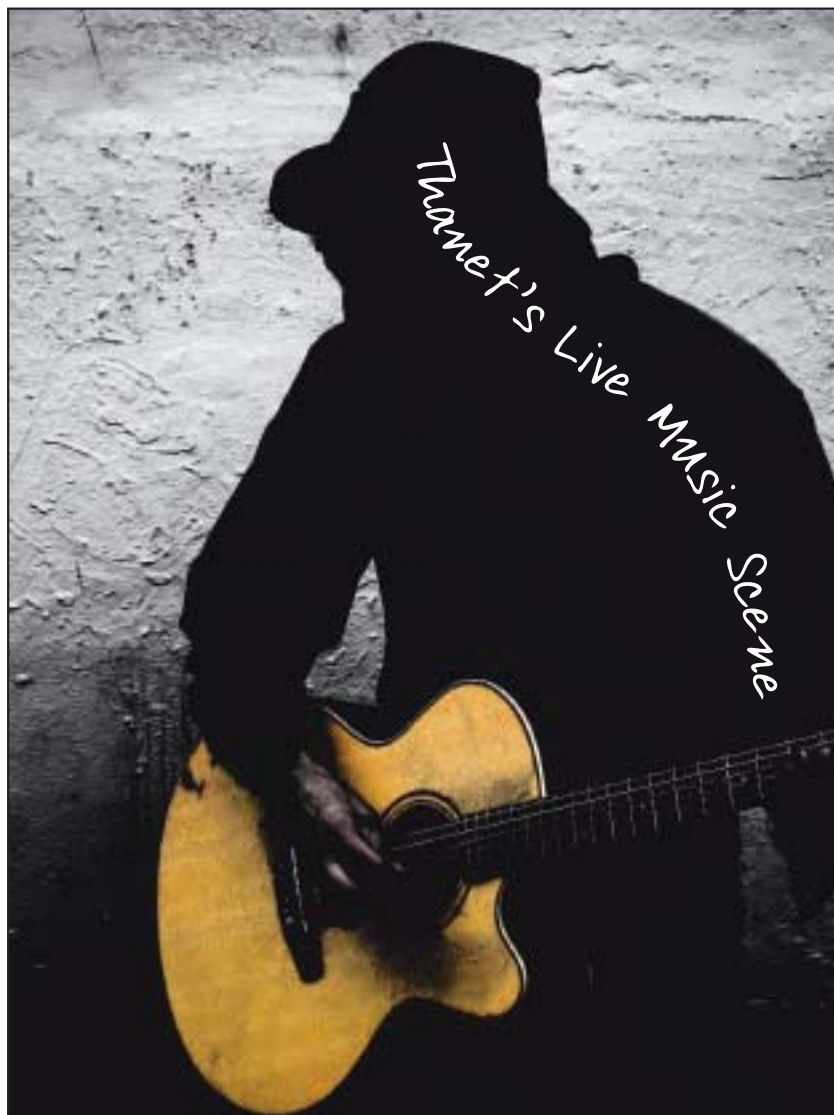
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YOUR LETTERS



Masterclass in shrill and hateful abuse

I am surprised and disappointed that you allowed your blogger Gary Wright to descend to shrill and hateful abuse of fat people.

He called them names. He accused them of being greedy, inactive and smelly. The latter two accusations are not true of any of the overweight people I know. As for greed, Mr Wright may be thin, but can he truthfully claim he does not overindulge in anything, however much stress he is under?

Yourmaidstone is right to encourage debate, and whether airlines should charge extra for passengers over a certain weight limit is a legitimate topic for debate. However, you should not permit columnists to indulge in puerile insults.

For the record, I do not think his bile was aimed at me. I have checked a favourite pair of jeans. They are size 12 and they fit me. This is about the principle of the thing.

Katharine A Gilchrist, by email

Who piled on pounds in the first place?

I commend Gary Wright for having the courage to publicly support the proposed fat tax for overweight airline passengers.

I completely agree that if one person takes up more room and weighs significantly more than his or her fellow passengers, they should pay more for a flight, particularly if their immense mass is largely a product of their own greed.

I was once duped by a friend of a friend's partner into believing that thyroid problems had caused her to balloon from a size ten to 18, only to discover months later she had a passion for eating Chinese takeaways late at night.

Reading Gary's blog inspired me to write about a pet hate of my own with regard to the obese – the vast amount of attention former fatties are given by the media when they shed a stone or two.

It isn't only celebrities whose weight-loss adorns the pages of newspapers and women's magazines, local papers are getting in on the act too, praising faceless nobodies for dropping a few dress – or shirt – sizes.

However, the journalists writing these stories, and probably a lot of the people reading them, are

yourblogger

Each week we get a mystery writer to air their views on living in Swale...



EVER since David Walliams surprised everyone by swimming the English Channel for Sport Relief a few years ago the BBC has decided it has to get celebs to do similar challenges.

Mr Walliam's achievement was impressive. There was a real element of 'I could never do that' for most of us, but some of the more recent celebrity escapades just become irritating rather than admirable.

The worst offender was the recent Christine Bleakley excursion to France on water skis. We had to endure endless weeks of hyped speculation on the One Show about whether she would make it or not but there was no chance she was ever going to fail.

There was no way the BBC would allow its top talent to come to harm, as was shown with the amount of support craft, fitness experts and water sport advisors involved in the operation.

It took Ms Bleakley 100 minutes to cross the Channel, but you can see any old Tom, Dick and Harriet noisily water skiing for hours on end off Herne Bay during the summer, much to the locals' annoyance.

I would have done it on one of those inflatable banana things you see towed around sunny holiday resorts.

I know it is all for a good cause, and I am sure Ms Bleakley's motivation for doing it is sincere, but I resent the BBC cashing in on it as an exercise in self-promotion.

If there is a story in your area you think we should be covering contact the news editor, Gareth Arnold, on 01303 817025 or email him on the details above. If you want to be the next Swale blogger then all you have to do is submit an article to us (of around 550 words) and email it to the editor. And don't forget, for all the latest news and video from your town log-on to www.yoursware.co.uk.

forgetting one significant point – that these people allowed themselves to pile on the pounds in the first place.

Of course weight loss for individuals who are clinically or morbidly obese is a positive thing – for their health, their self-esteem and for the poor passengers who have to sit next to them on planes – but do they really deserve all the credit and media exposure they receive? A lot of people lead healthy lives – exercising, eating fruit and veg, moderating their intake of alcohol, greasy food and pies – and never become fat. Is it fair that they get credit for losing the weight they gained through greed and "thinnies" get virtually no credit for keeping the weight off?

Have you ever seen a headline announcing: "Mum of four, 49, still fits into teen clothes" accompanied by a photo of a smug-looking size eight woman holding up a miniscule dress? Probably not, and you probably never will. I'm not for one moment suggesting we shouldn't encourage and support fatties who want to slim down to a healthy weight, but I do think we should remember how they came to be that big in the first place.

Emily Grant (size 10), by email

Hope he can develop a sense of empathy

I pity Gary Wright. He evidently believes it to be the very pinnacle of

cleverness to ridicule obesity sufferers. In his blog he describes large folk as fatties, porkies and lard-arses.

These insulting colloquialisms will have no doubt been lapped up by bullies who delight in hurling fattist abuse at those among us struggling with a weight problem.

Everyone else will have been disgusted and offended by Gary Wright's display of gross insensitivity.

British law now rightly offers people protection from written articles discriminating against them over their race and age.

Unfortunately no statute yet exists affording the same reassuring level of security towards someone carrying an excessive amount of adipose tissue.

They are still fair game, waiting to be targeted by any cruel columnist who sees fit to mock them.

Not all corpulent people are selfish gluttons, as Gary Wright so ignorantly states.

A vast proportion of the clinically obese have mental health issues to contend with and comfort eat in an attempt to soothe away the pain of their difficult lives.

They are deeply unhappy with their body image and are entirely conscious of the damage they are doing to their health, but have not yet found the strength to break their powerful addiction to high fat/calorie foods.

Being fat is not a heinous crime so why must fat people continually

There have been impressive achievements this year. Eddie Izzard's 43 marathon runs in 51 days showed genuine grit and determination, but then you hear about the Blue Peter presenter who has paddled down the Amazon.

It may be for charity, but it also seems suspiciously close to what a student might do in their gap year, except she has been accompanied by a camera crew for a large part of the journey.

This is an ever-growing trend in charity; please sponsor me to ride round Europe on a motorbike for cancer, please sponsor me to walk up Mount Fuji for dogs for the deaf or sponsor me to bungee jump in New Zealand for those who suffer from the life affecting disorder of Vertigo. It may be worthy, but it's also a very nice way to spend three weeks away.

And who pays for all this TV coverage? Is it the BBC or Sport Relief?

If it is the Beeb, why can't I just ask them to donate that element of my licence fee that pays for all the camera operators, sound engineers and video editors that have to cover these exploits directly to the charity?

Then I don't have to suffer TV schedules clogged up with it all and I can get on with watching more quality programming like Danny Dyer – I Believe In UFOs on BBC 3.

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be made to feel like public enemy number one?

I hope Gary Wright will one day be able to develop a more sympathetic attitude to our more amply proportioned citizens.

Clive Wilkins-Opller, by email

Young jobless must not be abandoned



It is no secret that young people have borne the brunt of this recession.

More than one in seven (14 per cent) young people living in the South East is now on the dole – that's 89,600 16 to 24-year-olds.

But it is all too easy to dismiss

these young people as a "lost generation".

Each one of them has skills and talents that could make a real difference to this country.

The alarming new report from The Prince's Trust and the Citi Foundation reveals that the South East could lose thousands of vital workers – nurses, teachers, doctors and social workers – if we fail to help young people find jobs.

Young people are not only struggling to fulfil their ambitions, nearly 15,000 in our region are also missing out on necessities such as food and heating.

More than 30,000 fear they will never have enough money to provide for themselves or their children. We can't afford to stifle these young talents now, particularly as we emerge from the longest recession on record.

Those with fewest qualifications need our support the most, as they struggle to compete with unemployed graduates flooding the jobs market.

Only by investing in these young people now can we ensure this undiscovered generation isn't lost for ever.

Rosemary Watt-Wynnes,
regional director for The Prince's Trust
in the South East

Building more roads is unsustainable

Kent Green Party is asking Lord Adonis, as Secretary of State for Transport, and Ed Miliband, Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change, to overrule attempts to secure the dualling of the A21 and proposals for a new Thames Crossing in the Dartford area.

We have asked for alternative initiatives which are consistent with protecting the environment and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Specifically:

- Adopt Kent and Medway as a pilot for a large-scale roll out of the Sustainable Travel Towns approach. This would entail additional staff for local authorities in Kent.

- Block any spending on new road transport infrastructure on trunk roads in Kent indefinitely while a Sustainable Travel Towns approach is generally applied to the entire county.

- Institute Eurovignette style charging on foreign HGVs using Kent's roads, with charging set at the maximum possible level permitted by EU law.

This would offer a region-sized follow up to the Sustainable Travel Towns pilot; an example of how rapid reductions in greenhouse gas emissions could be achieved; a comparatively low cost route towards lower emission transport and reductions in traffic congestion.

We have suggested that such expenditure as these steps may involve is unlikely to be the estimated £1.125 billion the Conservatives are set on spending on just two road infrastructure projects.

Steve Dawe,
Kent Green Party

Energetic new KCC boss can leave out the strawberries

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

COUNTY Hall's new boss has been warned to steer clear of the management tactics that caused her former employer to be "ridiculed" by the press.

Kent County Council announced that Katherine Kerswell – formerly of Northamptonshire County Council – has been chosen to replace chief executive Peter Gilroy, who steps down in May.

Cabinet members who interviewed Mrs Kerswell said they were impressed with her breadth of vision and energy, but according to at least one politician that energy can sometimes be used in the wrong way.

Referring to a confusing motivational speech in which Mrs Kerswell advised staff to "taste the strawberry" as a metaphor for customer service, Northants Labour group leader Cllr John McGhee said she made the council a laughing stock.

A video of the speech in January, 2008, attracted more than 4,000 hits on YouTube and was used as the basis for a series of comical television and newspaper reports.

But rather than hide behind her comments, Mrs Kerswell capitalised on the publicity and launched the council information website www.tastethestrawberry.com.

Cllr McGhee said: "In my opinion she's had some good ideas and some not so good ideas."

"She was brought in at a very difficult economic time when people were being laid off, but she kept the authority performing well. However, ideas like 'taste the strawberry' were just ridiculous when she should have been concentrating on more serious issues."

"The speech was supposed to build confidence but we became a laughing stock. Everybody used it as a joke and ridiculed it. I hope she steers clear of doing something similar in Kent."

Despite criticism of the slogan, Cllr McGhee said he thought Mrs Kerswell had been a "reasonable" chief executive and would be successful in her new role.

That sentiment is shared by both the leader of the Conservative-led authority Cllr Jim Harker, and the opposition Lib Dem group leader Cllr Brendan Glynane.

Cllr Glynane said: "Kent has made a wise choice in appointing her and I would say that's a view shared by most councillors."

As well as being chief executive at Northants, Mrs Kerswell is also president of



NEW FACE: Katherine Kerswell will replace Peter Gilroy

the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (Solace) and has worked in local government for more than 20 years. At KCC she will known under the new title of group managing director, and will remain on her current salary of £197,000.

In the last financial year Mr Gilroy was paid about £215,000. Mrs Kerswell was named as KCC's top choice after interviews with senior Tory members, as well as Lib Dem Cllr Martin Vye. Labour's Cllr Leslie Christie was also invited to contribute.

KCC leader Cllr Paul Carter said: "We were all impressed by Katherine's breadth of vision and energy, and her commitment to placing citizens at the heart of the services we deliver."

The group's recommendation will go for confirmation to the full council on April 1. Should all go according to plan, Mrs Kerswell will start in Kent at the beginning of July.

MPs want foreign HGVs to pay more

FOREIGN lorry drivers will have to start paying to use Kent's roads, if a committee of MPs gets its way.

And transport groups have backed the controversial recommendation by an all-party body of MPs.

According to the House of Commons public accounts committee, overseas freight traffic should be regulated more closely because they pay less for fuel, drive unsafe vehicles and frequently flout road safety laws.

Such a proposal could be of great significance to Kent, which receives thousands of foreign HGVs every year through the Tunnel and Port of Dover.

Between October 1, 2007, and September 30, 2008, overseas vehicles contributed to 72 accidents and 113 injuries on the county's roads.

Snapped

However, none of the 841 drivers caught by Kent's safety cameras received fines, unlike the 41,585 British road-users who were snapped. Last year police were given new powers to issue on-the-spot fines to foreign motorists and add points to their licences.

However, the public accounts committee says such drivers still contribute to ten per cent of all lorry accidents, despite only three per cent of all lorry drivers on the UK's roads being foreign. An AA spokesman said: "UK motorists often feel intimidated by left-hand drive foreign lorries because they know their car may not always be visible in the truck's mirrors."

According to the committee's report, foreign HGV drivers also "contribute little" in the way of revenue.

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Desserts include Black Forest fruit Eton mess and apple crumble with vanilla sauce.

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LIVE & LOCAL

Quartet back at Grand

THE Lawrence Fletcher Quartet returns for an evening of live jazz on Thursday.

With 'Fletch' on saxes, bass player Kim James, drummer Bill Johnson and Clive Hicks on vibes, the concert will be held in Keppels Music Room at The Grand at 8.30pm and admission costs £5. For details call Beryl Wood on 01303 277175.

Triple bill of laughter

THREE top comedians visit Ashford on Friday to keep the laughter flowing at The Comedy Club.

Ashford International Hotel hosts the over-18s event featuring Mandy Muden, Anthony King and The Noise Next Door.

The show starts at 9pm and tickets cost £14 for the show or £20/£18 with a two-course meal. To book call 01233 219988 or visit www.hahaheehee.com.

Singing in the sunshine

ENJOY an evening of musical sunshine as Cantiana perform at Faversham's United Reformed Church.

The singing group will give a fundraising concert called Bring Me Sunshine at 3pm on Saturday. Tickets are available from Lis on 01795 886847 and from the Fleur de Lis Heritage Centre on 01795 534542.

Juniors take to stage

TAKE a trip along Life's Winding Road with the Sarah Thorne Junior Drama Group this weekend.

The group will perform short stories, and poems at the Memorial Theatre, Broadstairs, at 7pm on Saturday and 2.30pm on Sunday. Tickets are £7/£5. Call 0845 2626263 or email info@sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk.

Packed bill at gig night

RISING band LeCarla headline an evening of live music at Westcoast in Margate on Friday.

Also on the bill are local pop-punk group Eleven:Eleven, Welsh ska-dub band Dirty Revolution, Mike Lloyd from Challenge the Chess Club and indie-rock band CWB from Canterbury.

Doors open at 7.30pm and tickets cost £2. The show is suitable for all ages.

Award-winning comic

AWARD-WINNING comic Rudi Lickwood headlines a night of laughter at the Ramada Dover this week.

Windsor is compere for the event on Thursday, with John Newton also on the bill. The show starts at 9pm and tickets are £12 for the show or £20 to include a two-course meal. To book call 01304 872843 or visit www.hahaheehee.com.

Coffee with Crooner

MEET old friends and make new ones at Coffee with the Crooner in Northgate Ward Community Centre in Canterbury.

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Charlie singing from the heart

CHARLIE LANDSBOROUGH

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AWARD-WINNING singer Charles Landsborough has been bringing joy to audiences for 30 years.

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His music covers a wide range of genres such as inspirational, country, ballad and anthem, capturing audiences of all ages and the esteem of his peers.

To date, Landsborough's songs have been covered by big names such as Daniel O'Donnell, Jack Jones, Pat Boone and Foster and Hamilton, to name just a few.

Although Landsborough knew that he wanted to write music from the age of 14, success took its time and it was 40 years later that he finally broke through in a big way. The former teacher suffered years of rejections before giving his music career a final push in 1995, a move that would have unexpected results.

Fed up with his lack of progress, Landsborough called an Irish television channel to find out if they would allow him to make a repeat appearance. His performance was a huge hit and the following week his single, What Colour Is The Wind, topped the Irish charts. From then on, Landsborough has hardly looked back, but his struggle to the top was not an easy one.

The youngest of 11 children, Landsborough grew up in Birkenhead and had a childhood that was both enchanting and tragic. His seafaring brothers would often bring home exotic gifts – including, on one memorable occasion, a monkey – and the house was full of love and laughter.

But the death of his mother when Landsborough was just 12 was a huge blow to the boy and he fell into petty crime, eventually serving two months in prison.

The shame of his conviction helped to turn his life around and after a few years doing manual jobs, a friend suggested that he should train to become a teacher. As a devoted Christian, Landsborough chose to study theology, but it soon became apparent that his heart lay with music and he swapped courses.

During his 14 years in the teaching profession, Landsborough did not give up his dream of becoming a musician and he continued to perform in clubs and pubs at night. His double life took its toll and he often had very late nights, followed by early mornings at school.

When his big break finally arrived,



Landsborough was sorry to leave the profession and retained a lot of sympathy for the pressure that teachers find themselves under today. But the big time was beckoning and following the success of his first song, Landsborough went on to have a career that must have seemed like a distant dream when he was a 14-year-old, picking out tunes on a guitar.

Over the last 15 years, Landsborough has performed all over the world and even graced

the stage at the legendary Grand Ole Opry in Nashville. Despite his massive success, Landsborough is a simple man who only has ambitions to write music and entertain his many fans around the globe. Landsborough is a natural performer who engages his audience wherever he appears.

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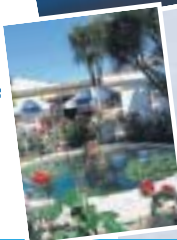
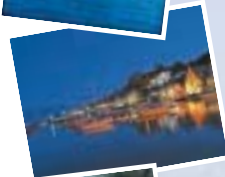
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Saturday, March 27 to Thursday, September 30.
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ART produced on Kent's creative coast goes on display at a hotel near Dover this weekend.

Creative Space features works made by artists based in the coastal area, and visitors will be able to view pieces in a variety of different media, including visually-striking eternal exhibits and art installations throughout the hotel grounds.

Participating artists include David Finlay, Lucie Flynn, Martine Caddick, Mike Teddar, Damian Wurst, Liz Finlay, Mel Mishkin and Rory Martin.

Wallett's Court is hosting the exhibition in order to provide a showcase for local artists and to

promote the creative image of Kent's coastal area.

"St Margaret's has long attracted and fostered a strong creative flair among its residents and visitors," said Gavin Oakley of Wallett's Court.

"We are very excited to be involved in this project."

A special free preview will take place when visitors can meet the artists and take part in workshops, as part of the Kent Big Day Out.

The exhibition can be viewed from 9am to 9pm every day and admission is free.

To find out more, visit www.wallettscourt.com.



THE HOOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 27, Quarterhouse, Folkestone

DISCOVER the emerging talent of two great bands at the final event of The Hook music festival in Folkestone.

Headline act Gabby Young and Other Animals have performed all over the US and Europe, winning over critics with their fantastic musicianship and unforgettable vocals.

The seven-piece band features a double bass, mandolin, flute, drums, clarinet and trumpet, all combining to produce the sound that has earned them spots at Glastonbury and other festivals.

Also on the bill is Kent's Syd Arthur (pictured), an exciting four-piece that has been steadily

building its profile over the last few years.

The band has been featured on BBC Radio Kent and BBC 6 Music, as well as being selected as 'band of the day' in a national newspaper.

After years of gigging, they have been working on their debut album and Saturday's concert will be a chance for both old and new fans to experience this incredible band live.

The show starts at 8pm and tickets are £8. Ticket holders will be entered into a draw to win tickets for the Sellindge Music Festival. Call 01303 858500 or go to www.quarterhouse.co.uk.

JOHN HEGLEY

Saturday, March 27
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury



TALES of small-town French life are told in inimitable style when John Hegley visits Kent.

The highly-acclaimed poet and singer returns with The Adventures of Monsieur Robinet, a collection of stories about a Gallic hero with a dog called Chirac. The Frenchman has some rather unusual habits and likes to bury his dog kennel, along with items of his own luggage, all of which will make fascinating listening when told in Hegley's much-loved manner.

There are also other new works to enjoy, such as tales about a parrot that does not talk. Find out how Hegley will instruct aliens on the subject of transport and see his uncanny animal impersonations, as performed with the aid of a handkerchief.

Described by critics as 'awesomely mundane', Hegley has an acute common touch and manages to capture the comedy in everyday life to hilarious effect. He has the ability to touch on surreal and bizarre subjects.

The show starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £15 or £13 for Encore! Gulbenkian members. Book online at www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk or call the box office on 01227 769075.



TO HAVE AND TO HONK

Sunday, March 28. Astor Community Theatre, Deal



THE course of true love could never run smooth in the company of the Honk Project.

In their new show, To Have and To Honk, the highly-acclaimed clowns are on their way to a wedding. But typically, the journey does not quite go to plan and the day descends into utter chaos in true Honk style.

Blending high comedy with musical exploits, the Honk Project will have audiences crying with laughter while marvelling at their fantastic tunes. Featuring 14 instruments, the show includes a delightful variety of musical styles from jazz and Dixieland to toe-tapping tunes.

To Have and To Honk is a family show that is suitable for audiences of all ages and will entertain everyone from the smallest member of the family to the grandparents.

The hour-long show is a brilliant fusion of live music and fantastic clowning, providing everyone with a honking good laugh.

The production visits Deal as part of Applause Rural Touring's spring season.

The performance starts at 2pm and tickets cost £8/£4. To book call 01304 381134 or 07802 702071 or email dealarts@talktalk.net.



MORGAN SZYMANSKI

Friday, March 26. Town Hall, Deal



GIFTED young guitarist Morgan Szymanski will perform in the second of the Deal Festival Chamber concerts.

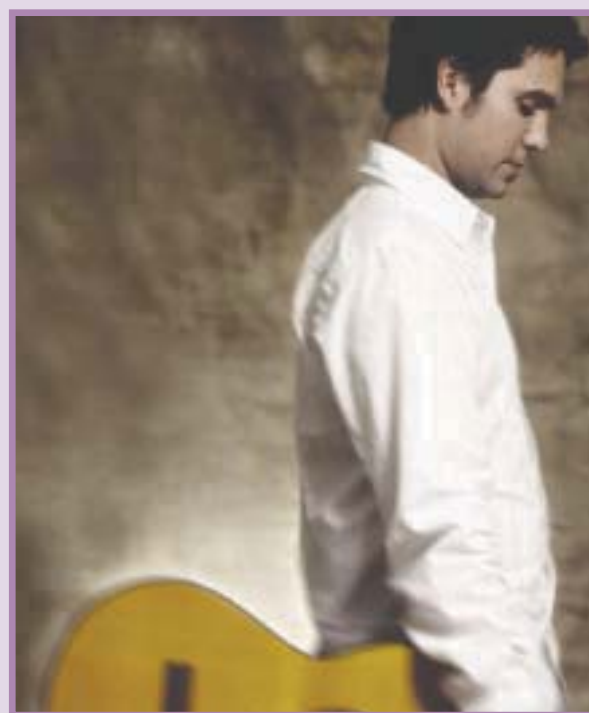
Kent music fans can look forward to yet another treat as the series of concerts continues. Szymanski was born in Mexico City in 1979 and began his musical studies at the age of just six, becoming the first guitarist to win a junior fellowship at the Royal College of Music in London.

Under the guidance of Carlos Bonell and Gary Ryan, he won all the guitar prizes as well as a scholarship to the Conservatorium van Amsterdam.

Tipped for great musical glory by critics, in the last year Szymanski has been named as 'one to watch' by Gramophone and BBC Music magazines. He also appeared on the cover of Classical Guitar Magazine and was a finalist in the 2008 Outstanding Young Artist Award.

For Friday's concert he will be performing works by Villa-Lobos, Lauro, Mangore, Piazzolla, Brouwer and Ballinatti, along with the Alex Roth Cat Dances.

The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets are £10 for one concert or £18 for two from The Sound House in Deal on 01304 381134.



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STEP UP TO THE OCHE WITH ME! Blue-eyed brunette, 27, 5ft1, loves films, walking, darts, pool, singing, me time! Looking for honest guy with GSOH, to get to know. Box 880105

SOUND GOOD? Social lady, 29, likes walks, swimming, VGSOH, like to meet a man, 30-55 for lots of fun. Brighton. Box 463984

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HORSES FOR COURSES... Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

HAPPY DAYS! Attractive, fun-loving female, 35, 5'4", size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, W/LTM intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 308734

SHREK'S APPEAL! Princess Fiona, 34, looking to meet her Shrek. 5ft8, short brown/blonde hair, blue eyes, large build, seeks romantic caring guy for friendship, maybe more. Box 877957

FEAST YOUR EYES ON ME... Hello I'm Andrea, 35, petite 5ft3, shoulder length curly hair, enjoys eating out, cinema and I'm looking for friendship and possible long term relationship. Box 453033

GROW OLD WITH ME Single mum, 37yrs old, slim build, honest, kind and caring. I'm looking for LTR, love and romance with nice guy in Maidstone area. Box 860164

LOVE TO LOVE YOU Lovely female, 36, 5ft4, medium/large build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usual! Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102

PUT A SMILE ON MY FACE Mum of three, 38, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male, 36-49, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693

MAGIC IN MARGATE Loving female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

FAMILY LIFE Fun to be with woman, 39, I love life, drinks in, walks, family life etc, looking for a similar man in the Canterbury area. Box 467392

CUTE AS CAN BE Cute single mum of four, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship, possibly romance. Box 897983

SHOW ME HEAVEN Black lady, 38yr old, enjoys swimming, films and bird watching. Fairly new to the area, W/LTM a male for friendship and maybe romance. Box 441608

FAMILY ORIENTATED Eastbourne based woman, 39, 5ft8, slim/medium build. I'm a single mum, and enjoy cooking, music, family life. If you like the same, get in touch! Box 464034

FOR A RELATIONSHIP? Shy but confident-often-known female, a mum, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walks, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopeful love with. Box 452106

HAPPINESS, THE GREATEST GIFT... Shy female, 40, 5ft9, blue eyes, short blonde hair, medium build, loves going out, wiring and dining, holidays; seeking likeable gentleman to be happy with. Box 446763

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DOES THIS SOUND LIKE YOU? Single mum, 42, from Ashford, 5ft9, dark hair/eyes, likes wine bars, pubs, days out and keeping fit, looking for a caring and fun-loving gent, 5fters+. Box 461129

I SHOULD BE SO LUCKY Hello, I'm Karen, 42, dark brown hair, medium build, gosh, looking for a man with no issues and gosh who can enjoy life with me. Box 452204

ACTIVE TYPE Lively, energetic fun loving mum, 43, 5ft3, petite, pretty, blonde/brown hair, hazel eyes, W/LTM honest, fun gent for lasting relationship. Box 451819

LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL Good-looking brunette from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc, looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with GSOH for friendship/relationship. Box 453048

SWEET AS HONEY Petite, slim, honey-blond lady, 5'4" age 44, enjoys the seaside and horse-racing, looking for a dark-haired, genuine, honest and professional man, 25-50 in Brighton. Box 458465

HOW YOU DOING? Attractive, curvy single mum, 44, kind, genuine, loyal and loving, seeking a man with similar qualities to share my life with. St Leonards-on-Sea. Box 459128

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FIT THE BILL? Fit and healthy woman, average build. I'm 44, young looking and love animals. I would love to meet a sincere fella to spend time with. Maidstone. Box 466419

NEW TO THIS Attractive single mum of 2, 43yrs old, 5ft1, medium build, GSOH, likes cooking, spending time with family & animals, W/LTM fun loving, kind, genuine man. Kent. Box 855142

GENUINE REPLIES ONLY Bubbly female, 44, brunette, n/s, medium/large build, enjoys singing and theatre. Would love to meet a decent fun-loving guy, similar age, pref non-smoker for LTR. Box 445955

POSSIBLE LTR African lady, full figured and radiant! I'm a Christian, 46, 5ft5, attractive, caring and intelligent and enjoy jazz, travel, theatre, W/LTM decent, white male, Gillingham. Box 466617

ENJOY LIFE TO THE FULL Young-looking 46yr old female, 5ft4, slim, blonde, non-smoker, affectionate, loyal, caring, seeking a male, 40-45, up to 5ft7, to share life with. Ashford/Maidstone area please. Box 461938

COME ON OVER Fun-loving girl, 47, dark hair/eyes, attractive, looking for a similar male to enjoy nights out and good conversation. Rainham. Box 854480

NOTHING VENTURED... Humble lady, 47, GSOH, down to earth, non-smoker, enjoys life, likes meals and days out, seeks a life-loving guy to enjoy a meal with. Rochester. Box 466286

YOUNG AT HEART Young 46, attractive, fun-loving female, looking for fit, handsome, intelligent, full of fun, sexy, worldly man to share everything that life has to offer. Box 884113

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444368

HELP ME OPEN UP Easygoing lady, 46, dark brown hair/blue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, W/LTM male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585

ETERNALLY YOURS Easygoing woman, likes most things in life; country walks, films, cinema, cooking. I'm 46, 5ft2, medium build, W/LTM genuine, happy guy, easygoing and fun. Box 445635

NORMAL GAL Female, 48, divorced and happy, 5ft7, looking for genuine man, laughter, sincerity, smart, kind, tall honest man, age under 49 and over 30 a must. Maidstone. Box 866380

A REAL DIAMOND African lady, 47, honest, loving and caring, enjoy most things in life, looking for a male, 50+, for a LTR. Canterbury. Box 460999

MAKE IT ENJOYABLE Pretty, young-looking, slender woman, 49, dark-haired seeks reliable gentleman, 25-49 for a loving relationship. Rochester. Box 460686

DREAM LOVER Petite blonde, 49, 49, loving, caring, enjoy music, walking, theatre dining in/out, looking for friendship and more with a genuine, caring and honest man. Rochester. Box 854822

BY MY SIDE Curvy woman, 49, 5ft10, enjoys being by the sea, music, walks, meals out, cinema, cross-words, and reading. Seeking kind, caring man in the Maidstone area. Box 466608

ARE YOU LOVING AND CARING? Young 48 year old, loving caring, very bubbly, 5ft5, medium build, blonde, blue eyes, likes clubs, cinema, eating out, cosy nights, good company. Box 434089

FAMILY LIFE Warm hearted lady, 51, look younger! I'm 5ft8, slim build, with blonde hair, divorced (grown up children), W/LTM nice man, 40's/50's in the Aylesford area. Box 461834

HERE AND NOW Outgoing lady, 50, enjoys walks along the beach, nights out and in with a quiet bottle of wine, seeks man to love forever. Box 449524

GETTING TO KNOW YOU Slim blonde, 51, 5ft3, very caring, active, loves DIY and gardening, with a man with similar interests to get to know better. Sheerness. Box 467112

JUST IMAGINE Petite, brunette, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, W/LTM genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562

CARING & PROFESSIONAL Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim build, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings. Box 471100

LOVELY BUBBLY Short 51yr old professional lady, likes history, films and reading, seeking a genuine gent, 45-58, with gosh to enjoy evenings out, stimulating conversations and fun. Box 452311

MEANT TO BE? Very honest, reliable and trustworthy person, 52, 5ft7, blonde with blue eyes, loves cinema, meals out and nights out, seeking sociable male with same interests. Ashford. Box 466150

IT COULD BE US Happy-go-lucky lady, 53, 5ft3, slim, blonde-brown hair, blue eyes looking for a tall, honest guy, for love and laughter and happy times. Kent. Box 464601

A HIGHER LOVE Looking for that special person. I'm a genuine lady, 54 but don't fret! I'd like to meet someone to love and care for. Canterbury. Box 857551

YOU DON'T KNOW UNTIL YOU CALL... Young-looking, hard-working 53yr old living in East Sussex. I am a happy, caring person with a good sense of humour. Non-smoker. Heathfield. Box 863410

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LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS! Smart petite lady, 56, 5ft4, tall, blonde hair, green eyes, likes restaurants, theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests. Box 448795

SMART MOVE Spontaneous, friendly, lively female, 55, likes cinema, walking, cooking, socialising, seeks similar person for friendship leading to hopefully more. Box 430854

MUSIC TO MY EARS Hi my name's Christine, 59, 5'9", slim build, wear glasses, likes live music, theatre, playing darts, looking for slim build male, for friendship, possible more. Box 419914

WALKS ALONG THE COAST Honest & sincere female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441822

DREAMS OF YOU Genuine, caring lady, late 50s, slim & young looking, looking for a loyal, considerate, N/S male for long term relationship. Box 448566

LOTS OF HUGS Positive woman, 60, independent but sociable, I'm 5ft4, red hair/green eyes, slim build. Hythe, enjoys art and walks, seeking similar, intelligent man, lively, reliable. Box 464002

SIMPLE PLEASURES Hi there, I'm a 61yr old lady, blonde hair/green eyes, medium build. I love dancing, walking by the sea and W/LTM like minded gent. Box 459467

THE GOOD THINGS IN LIFE 59yr old young-at-heart, loving woman, I am hoping to meet a kind-spirited who loves animals, going for walks and the romantic side of life. Box 901443

BRIGHTENING UP Cuddly lady, 61, 5ft5, blonde, likes swimming, country pubs, cinema and much more, W/LTM tallish single man to hopefully brighten each others lives. Box 870214

BE YOURSELF Outgoing lady, active, 60, tolerant, open-minded, loves life animals, and genuine people, seeks a sincere man for romance. Margate. Box 865760

HOMELY LADY Easygoing lady, 61, 5ft1, walks, cosy nights, pubs meals etc. I'm hoping to meet someone for friendship, and then we'll see. Folkestone. Box 466963

ONLY LOVE CLASSY Intelligent, happy, slim, attractive, fit and active lady, 62, gosh, enjoys travel, gardening etc, looking for that special friend to share life with. Box 883791

LOVE ME DO Loving and caring lady, 63, 5ft3, brown hair/eyes, likes most things in life, looking for a caring and considerate male for friendship, hopefully a LTR. Margate. Box 460082

QUALITY TIME Widow, early 60's, likes dancing, drinks, gardening, socialising, and walks works, seeking a good gent. Ramsgate. Box 460672

LIFE IS GOOD! Slim, attractive lady, 65, enjoy outdoors pursuits, dog walking, socialising and music, lots of time and tie to give to the right person. Maidstone. Box 466636

SHARE FRIENDSHIP Lady of 67 year of age, tall, dark hair, non-smoker, likes a bit of gardening, fishing, the seaside, going out, reading, cross-words. Margate. Box 467419

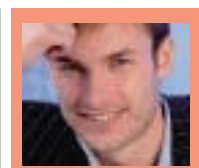
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YOU AND I TOGETHER Easygoing hard worker, 45, slim, fit, looking for someone to settle down with who's honest, thoughtful and willing to settle down. Gillingham. Box 466559

ROMANTIC TYPE Caring, romantic, loyal gent, 45yrs young, 5ft11, slim build, blue eyes/brown hair. I like walks, music, animals and pubs, seeks lady 35-50. East Sussex. Box 466561

HONEST AND SINCERE Woman seeking woman. I'm 63, fit/healthy, a veggie, have grown up kids and enjoy the sea, photography, the arts, red wine and laughter. Whitstable. Box 466597



MEN seeking women

SNOG, MARRY OR AVOID? Kent guy, 30, enjoy sport, painting, music, looking for a female, similar age possibly older, for friendship and romance. Ashford. Box 851895

FOR LOVE Hard-working male, 29, 5ft10, dark hair, brown eyes, medium build, plays harder likes going/feeling out, walks, pubs, loves life, seeking similar happy, trustworthy lady. Box 442752

WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET Single dad, 34, 5ft7, brown hair/dark eyes. Hoping to meet a nice woman. I'm laid back and wear my heart on my sleeve. Chatham. Box 464419

FULL OF LIFE Ashford man, 35, I'm single, no ties, and looking for a similar woman. I'm 6ft6, with blue eyes/brown hair and enjoy pub/clubs; eating out etc. Box 467416

BOTTLE OF WINE Hi there, I'm an easygoing male, 35, 5ft8, medium build, brown hair. I'm based in Brighton and enjoy seeing friends, drinks, cinema, walks. Box 450165

MAKE ME SMILE AGAIN Seeking genuine lady. I'm a 38yr old male, 5ft9, dark hair/blue eyes. I work hard and play hard, would like to enjoy spare time with partner. Box 449649

THE GOOD LIFE Young looking male, 39, quiet guy, looking for a LTR, want to relax and enjoy life together, with the right woman. Box 858113

SPONTANEITY Young 39yr old male, good looking, 5ft9, medium build, dark hair/blue eyes, enjoys boating, country pubs, walks etc, W/LTM like minded lady. Sittingbourne area. Box 467062

NEW IN TOWN Good-looking male, 39, fair hair, blue eyes, nice build and height, social, likes holidays, dining out, fit, seeking a woman to go out with. Rochester. Box 460825

LOVE TO LAUGH Looking for a love to earth green eyed lady. Must have a sense of humour and laugh at life's little surprises! I'm 39 with GSOH...Hastings. Box 862208

LOVE ON THE DANCEFLOOR Outgoing, young-minded male, 47, smoker, likes war games, books, cinema, castles, places of interest, seeking similar woman to boogie on the dancefloor with. Margate. Box 443750

FUN & OUTGOING? Young at heart 44yr old male, stocky build, 5ft10, Kent based, father, honest and down-to-earth, likes music, nights in, walking the dog, seeks genuine lady. Box 851804

GOOD LOOKING BLOKE Tall man medium build, 44, 5ft9, brown hair/eyes, with an outgoing nature, looking for a female similar to myself with long hair. Box 871274

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FOR FUN & ROMANCE Canterbury male, 48, white, 6ft3, medium-large build, likes cycling and walking to keep fit, and boats! W/LTM slim black lady for possible LTR. Box 465219

GET BACK TO ME Good looking divorced man, 48, 6ft, likes keeping in shape, loves music and gigs; seeking slim lady, 30-40, relaxed, laid-back, for hopeful good relationship. Hythe. Box 460338

LOVE AND TRUST Honest, caring man, 50, 5'11", likes cinema, country-side, beach walks, meals out, restaurants, looking for honest, caring lady 45-55, Medway area. Box 852889

ALL THE FUN OF THE FAIR! Youthful dad, 45, 5'10", brown hair, med build, divorcee, likes pubs, cinema, restaurants, theme parks, W/LTM female, 36-45, slim, for possible LTR. Cranbrook. Box 737529

MOVING ON... Young 52, I'm a caring male with a GSOH, enjoys sport, music and eating out, and I would like to meet a similar lady. Rochester. Box 467398

AROUND AND AROUND Active male, 59", dark hair, 57, keeps fit, cycles, seeking a cuddly, curly, mature lady for friendship. Canterbury. Box 467423

SAIL AWAY Younging male, 58, slim, fair hair, hard working, boat owner, likes cinema and dining out, seeks slim laidback non-smoker. Rochester. Box 467342

A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS TOGETHER? Adventurous male, 57, 5ft7, likes walks, animals, eating in and out, camping and holidays, W/LTM likewise lady with similar interests. Box 449963

IT'S A SHORE THING Genuine male, 58, 5'10", GSOH, slim/medium build, like animals, cooking, beach/country walks, driving, W/LTM loving, caring woman to share good times together. Seaford. Box 459280

A NORMAL GOOD GUY 62 year old very youthful guy, 5ft9, slim, athletic, smart, hard working, intelligent, seeks similar broad-minded lady for potential companionship. Hythe. Box 467327

RELIGHT MY FIRE! Hi I'm male, 62, an ex-fireman, 5ft10, South East Kent, 6ft2, stocky build, retired, I like walks, pets, cooking, cinema, meals in and out. Box 455977

Men seeking men

TALL ORDER 40yr old chap, 5ft8, dark, slim/muscular build, good looking, looking for a tall guy for fun. Box 439132

FANCY A DVD? Caring gentle guy, 45, slim, 5ft9, short hair, looking for guys in the Medway area for fun foremost and then whatever else follows. Rochester. Box 459815

COME ON, GIVE US A CALL! Large passive male, 52-looks younger, seeking top man for fun times, friendship and love. Broadstairs. Box 951008

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Carrey excels in true story of a gay conman trying to go straight

■ BY DAMON SMITH

RUBBER-face funnyman Jim Carrey delivers his best dramatic performance since *Eternal Sunshine Of The Spotless Mind* in this improbable and utterly incredible true story.

Based on a novel by investigative reporter Steve McVicker, *I Love You Phillip Morris* charts the romance of two prison inmates and their subsequent journey of self-discovery on both sides of the bars.

Writer-directors Glenn Ficarra and John Requa (*Bad Santa*) strike a pleasing balance between laughter and soul-searching in this oddball comedy.

Smouldering

Crucially, Carrey generates smouldering screen chemistry as Stephen Russell with co-star Ewan McGregor, convincing us that undying love and a daredevil spirit can overcome anything.

Truth is far, far stranger than Ficarra and Requa's entertaining fiction, which takes dramatic licence with dialogue and abbreviates the exploits of their white-collar crime during the 1980s and 1990s.

They escaped incarceration four times and paid a terrible price for humiliating the US prison service.

The real Russell was handed a 144-year sentence and must spend 23 hours every day confined to his cell without visitors. That's no laughing matter.

When we first meet Stephen, he is a happily married police officer with a beautiful wife, Debbie, and a young daughter.

However, the family man has a secret: he is gay.

When he can no longer keep the secret, Stephen comes out to his wife and moves to Florida with boyfriend Jimmy.



INSTANT ATTRACTION: Ewan McGregor and Jim Carrey as Phillip Morris and conman Stephen Russell

The cost of living fabulously is perilously high, and Stephen breaks the law to finance his lavish tastes.

The authorities eventually catch up with the swindler and sentence him to time in prison, where he meets softly spoken Phillip Morris (Ewan McGregor).

Struggles

The attraction is instant, and Stephen schemes to become his lover's cellmate.

When he finally gains parole, Stephen poses as a lawyer to get Phillip out of prison early, but once they are united on the outside, the

former con man struggles to mend his ways.

Phillip lands a high-profile position as chief financial officer at a large corporation, where the temptation to embezzle is irresistible.

When the police invariably come knocking for their man, Phillip is distraught: "I don't care about the money," he pleads.

"All I want is you. I just want us to be together."

I Love You Phillip Morris is sweet, sexy and at times hilarious, posing the obvious dilemma: can a gay con man go straight?

Carrey keeps his usual nervous tics and funny voices in check and the rapport with

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McGregor, sporting a Southern accent and cropped blond hair, anchors the picture.

Ficarra and Requa treat characters with affection and don't shy away from the physicality of Stephen and Phillip's relationship, creating a wonderfully odd couple.

We believe in the characters and root for them, even though we know that everything Phillip says and does is for his own financial and emotional gain.

I LOVE YOU PHILLIP MORRIS 
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FORGETTABLE: Pete Waterman and Graham Norton preside over the debacle



YOUR TV REVIEW YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU: BBC 1 Friday

■ BY THOMAS BETTS

NOT even Eurovision is safe from phone vote, talent show hell these days.

The annual contest is held in late May, but we have already had to endure the usual BBC nonsense that goes with picking the entry.

How we select our annual anthem seems to change a bit each year, but the process is slowly but surely morphing into yet another X Factor clone.

Last year Andrew Lloyd Webber used the exercise for self promotion purposes, but this time around it is Pete Waterman who has hijacked the event.

Armed with a song so bad that it wouldn't have got within a country mile of being a Steps B side, he lorded it up over the contestants who talked emotionally about how it was their "dream to represent Britain".

I suspect their dream is actually to be on the telly, and get a little face time in the media, but maybe I'm just a cynic.

The Waterman-penned track 'That Sounds Good to Me' is the song destined to fill a million bargain bins.

Quite a title, as it doesn't sound good to anyone, and even he knows it.

The only thing more forgettable than the song itself were the contestants, none of whose names I can remember.

There was some guy with an OK voice, some girl who forgot the words, and another guy who looked like he had escaped from being a redcoat at Butlins... and they were the finalists!

In the half-hour leading up to the

final three performances, voters chose which of the acts to hear sing the official song live, consigning the rest to absolute heartbreak.

It was a bit like deciding which village idiot to bludgeon to death first, although the audience seemed to be enjoying it all.

Big Pete himself seemed rather unimpressed by the charisma-free numpties, while co-writer Mick Stock looked like he was looking for the fire escape for the duration of the whole sorry affair.

Eurovision is, quite rightly, a bit of a joke to us Brits, but wouldn't it be nice to actually do well for once?

For a country that is supposed to lead the world in pop music, we seem to be pretty dismal at all this.

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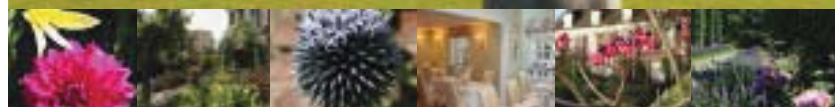
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CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 Wedge firmly as a result of collision (6)
 4 Dirty mark must be removed before church (6)
 10 Reportedly attempt to stain flag (9)
 11 Slightly less than sprightly excursion (5)
 12 Kay found a rickety chair in city (7)
 13 Thus fabulous bird was held with egg in the wind (7)
 14 A theatregoer's movable electrical device (7,6)
 16 Make the slightest mistake, get out of step? (3,1,4,5)
 21 Each bud becoming corrupt (7)
 22 Skyline as far as I can see (7)
 24 Terrorists question one person from Basra (5)
 25 Lady, beautiful lady had some old money first (9)
 26 Yvette initially assisted without aspiration when she cried out sharply (6)
 27 Made an impression in artwork (6)

DOWN

- 1 Much-liked Kate creating opening (6)
 2 Earlier poet (5)
 3 Alternative Romeo found to be more select (7)
 5 Joseph getting into brandy on a Spanish island (7)
 6 Police club (9)
 7 Item of luggage that boxer included (6)
 8 Recovering consciousness before leading and reaching a decisive stage (6,2,1,4)
 9 Shading in across hatch in general (5-8)
 15 Handy sketch? (9)
 17 Insulting a coach before quarter past four (7)
 18 Not a well-done piece of cheese on toast (7)
 19 Unusual thing that is strange, pity it doesn't open (6)
 20 In action? Certainly (6)
 23 Last character, Italian companion, has nothing (5)

QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 Be niggardly (6)
 4 Old Testament book (6)
 10 Fanatic (9)
 11 Feed into computer (5)
 12 Cut-glass (7)
 13 Fish tanks (7)
 14 Packaged tightly in plastic (6-7)
 16 In everyone's opinion (2,3,8)
 21 Atomiser (7)
 22 Disgrace (7)
 24 Low voice (5)
 25 Feasibility (9)
 26 Telephone (6)
 27 Threaten (6)

DOWN

- 1 Oration (6)
 2 Luxurious (5)
 3 Musical conductors (7)
 5 Ramp overhanging slope (3-4)
 6 Computer system (9)
 7 Knocking sound (3-3)
 8 Be the exact size (3,4,1,5)
 9 March 17th (2,8,3)
 15 The osprey (anag.) (3-6)
 17 Agile (7)
 18 Radioactive metal (7)
 19 Tropical tree (6)
 20 Took part in a game (6)
 23 Verdi (anag.) (5)

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BE SCRUPULOUSLY fair and even-handed when it comes to dealing with shared possessions and joint money matters. You need to be cautious with cash and avoid extravagant gestures aimed at impressing people. Instead look for ways to build a better budget.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)

Your workload is picking up again, forcing you to adhere to a strict schedule. If you don't follow a routine, your health will start to flag. Beware of overindulging in food and drink. Although you normally don't have difficulty finding time for exercise, this could be a problem now.

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GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)

CREATING a cosy home for your loved ones is your chief priority. Your nearest and dearest appreciate all the hard work you do for them. Make sure you don't get so wrapped up with responsibilities you forget to have fun. A trip to a romantic hideaway will do you a power of good.

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LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)

SHREWD business sense is critical to your success. Although it's great you are so generous, you have to remember the bottom line. Don't extend people unlimited credit, or you'll never recoup your losses. Be prepared to go after your debtors, even at the risk of losing some friends.

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LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)

A HOSPITAL, university, or government agency can be tremendously helpful in the weeks ahead. A male friend is behaving strangely. Try to keep your finances separate from them, as he may be struggling with problems you can't understand. Fortunately, your family will help.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

YOU need to exercise your authority when working on an important job. There's too much at stake to leave to chance. If some members of your team start slacking off, crack the whip. Yes, people will grumble, but they'll respect your insistence on excellence.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

YOU take your obligations seriously, especially when it comes to family and loving relationships. Although it's great that you want to go the extra mile for your beloved, it's also important to let them shower you with affection, too. A colleague will be prove uncooperative.

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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)

ANYTHING involving art, film, music, or fashion is worth pursuing. Although you'll have to take a financial risk, it will be worth the sacrifice in the long term. Someone in the family might not think much of your ideas because they're jealous of all the opportunities waiting for you.

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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

A BUSINESS trip is in the cards. Although you hate spending time away from home you need to attend to this matter before it spirals out of control. If you're feeling down, put your feelings into words and share them with a long time trusted friend or confidante.

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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)

YOU feel compelled to keep order in an increasingly chaotic situation. Although you will play a key role in keeping people safe, it's important to remember you can't rescue destructive rebels from themselves. A bitter enemy is doing everything they can to block your progress.

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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

Who you know is more important than what you know. Cultivating relationships will help you get a foothold in an impressive company or organisation. However, you may wonder whether you will be able to work effectively with an argumentative colleague.

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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)

AN INTEREST in spiritual or philosophical matters makes you want to find out more. Look for someone who will challenge your assumptions, but will encourage your interests. Jealousy and negativity could rear their ugly heads in an intimate relationship.

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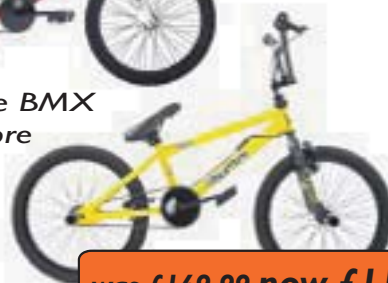
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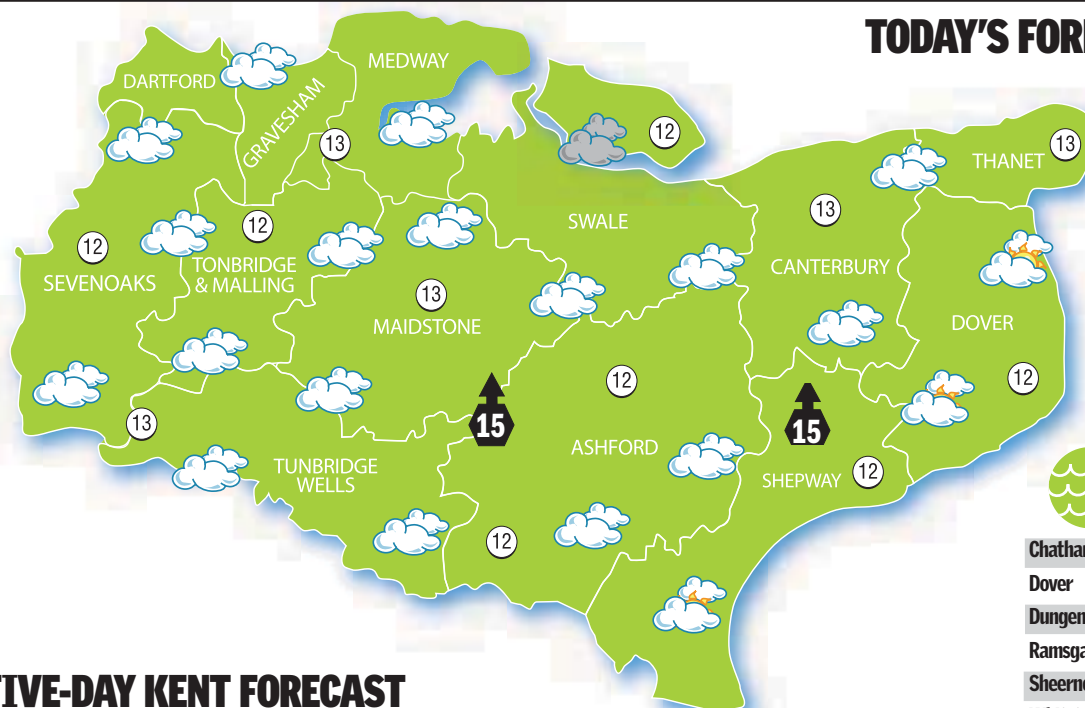
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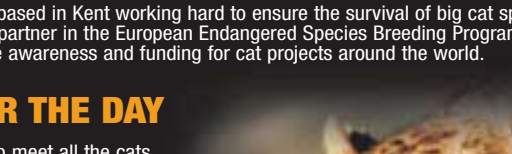
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Festival comes with a warning



HEADLINERS: Brazilian metallers Sepultura are coming to Hevy at Port Lympne

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

POP-loving teenie-boppers, run for the hills – the Hevy festival is coming.

The appropriately-named three-day event will see some of the world's loudest, angriest and darkest bands converge on Port Lympne Wild Animal Park in August.

So if you're more into Shakira than Slipknot, avoid the Hythe zoo at all costs.

But if you are partial to the occasional hardcore mosh pit or prolonged period of head-banging then the Hevy weekend is right up your street.

Headliners include legendary Brazilian metallers Sepultura and Birmingham's hardest rockers Napalm Death.

Support comes from the likes of Gallows, Rolo Tomassi, Polar Bear Club, Dead Swans, Lower Than Atlantis and Kent's own Feed The Rhino.

Hevy bosses have also laid on non-music related entertainment for their paying punters, with a series of Gladiators-inspired fun fair rides.

Look out for Chaos, Superstar and Storm.

Hevy co-founders James Dutton and Claire Baker said the festival will be one to remember.

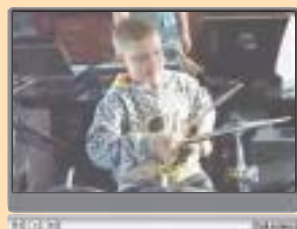
In a joint statement they said: "With a brand new venue and some awesome plans, this year's festival is what we've always wanted to bring to Kent – it's going to be huge!"

"There's some fantastic little festivals down here that offer a great family-friendly product, but we've always felt there's a need in this corner of the UK for something a little heavier, and that's what we hope to be – Kent's alternative music festival."

"We're really going for it too, with huge bands from all corners of rock, punk, hardcore and metal, insane extreme sports displays and some hand-picked,

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Eleven-year-old schoolboy Kyle Hudson plays the drums



Sheppey-based rockers Sons of Alpha Centauri feature on The Ether



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- 1 Craig Sheridan - Aurora (from Deal)
- 2 CWB - Footsteps (from Canterbury)
- 3 Cristlefridge - Unbreakable (from Whitstable)
- 4 Rogues Down - Poison Arrow (from Deal)
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state-of-the-art thrill rides – everything on site is totally focused at the alternative market.

"And at just £69 for a weekend camping ticket, it's seriously good value too. Brace yourself, this is going to be epic."

Hevy takes place at Port Lympne from Friday, August 6 to Sunday 8.

For more information visit www.hevy.co.uk



ASTONISHING BEAUTY: The setting sun and the red dust of the Mara is the perfect setting for this stunning shot of a pair of leopards

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Mara is perfect place to get great shot at some wildlife

■ BY KELLY MACNAMARA

THERE'S a knack to photographing the Little Bee-eater.

The picture you want is this: The bird is in mid-flight, its green shimmering wings flung wide and a just-caught bug clamped in its beak.

Precision timing, a steady hand and a little specialist knowledge are all essential. With the last of these, your pictures are transformed into the sort of images to grace a nature magazine, and without it you are doomed to an endless succession of empty branches.

Paul Goldstein has that knowledge. The award-winning wildlife photographer who has coaxed, cajoled and demanded the best from amateur snappers for years.

I joined one of his safaris in Kenya's Masai Mara.

Within minutes of arriving at our luxurious camp, we were bouncing along in one of Paul's specially converted vehicles in pursuit of a cheetah and her two cubs.

After barely half an hour in Paul's company, it was already abundantly clear he takes no prisoners.

"Stop mincing!" he yelled, as I fumbled with my kit while the vehicle jolted across the dry savannah.

My brand new digital SLR body was eventually attached to a lens the size of a rocket launcher, borrowed from a fellow traveller who hired something even more substantial for this expedition.

We found the cheetahs bathed in honeyed afternoon light, with the mother looking wistfully into the distance. The scene was beautiful, but my companions had other ideas. In the distance, a juicy-looking

FACT FILE: KENYA

Time difference	+Three hours (GMT)
Capital	Nairobi
Language	Swahili
Population	39 million
Currency	Kenyan shilling
Religion	Protestant

Kelly Macnamara was a guest on an Exodus Photographic Safari, with photographer Paul Goldstein and local guides. Group sizes 4 to 12, min age 16. Nine-day package, from £2,699, incl six nights' tented camp accom, return Kenya Airways flights ex-London, internal flights, and transport by open-sided four-wheel-drive vehicles in the Mara. Regional connecting flights incl Manchester from £3540 (single), Glasgow from £3250. Exodus reservations: 0845 863 9601 and www.exodus.co.uk.



Thomson's gazelle grazed near a thicket, small and spry – an ideal feast for a peckish big cat.

It was over in a second, the predator so close there was barely a chase. However, for a novice wildlife photographer, the thrill was intense.

Only afterwards did I realise I had caught the action on camera: The cheetah lunging from a swirl of dust, front paws stretched out to whip the gazelle's back legs from under it.

Huge crowds of wildebeest gathered for annual crossings of the Mara heading for the Serengeti and Tanzania, and we watched in wonder as animals fought to cross the river, unperturbed as crocodiles picked off the occasional snack. Often we were still out at sunset,

chasing the dying light for a spot to take in the great billowing clouds as they bruised against a hot red sky. At these times, photographs came second to soaking up the astonishing beauty of the dying Mara day with a cold beer.

Much is made of the idea that we have progressed from shooting wild creatures with guns to using camera lenses. While there are similarities – you must learn an animal's habits to predict its movements – hunters aimed to stop the wildlife in its tracks, but we wanted the right light, and of course action.

Thanks to the eagle eyes of our guides, and Paul's knowledge and enthusiasm, we had all in abundance.

MOTORS NEWS



'Le Mini' is out to prove it's no retro knock-off

BMW has a smart rival to its popular Mini, but the new Citroën DS3 is no retro poser even if it does revive the 'DS' badge from a classic 50/60s series of cars.

However, the newcomer can be customised to the roof like a Mini and holds a premium position with the French marque to attract similar buyers, albeit at lower prices (from £11,700) to undercut the Anglo-German cult star (from £12,730) and with a cabin that is as much a work of art as the exterior.



Cheaper Vauxhall deals a show of intent to rivals

VAUXHALL has thrown down the gauntlet to mainstream rivals by slashing entry prices on most of its range through new lower-priced Expression/ES models, even as it seeks a move upmarket.

Private buyers can save as much as £3,675, while company car users also incur reduced company car tax.

The new Corsa Expression supermini costs £9,995 – more than £1,000 less than the previous entry car – while the £13,995 Astra Expression hatchback saves £2,000 and the big £17,100 Insignia ES saves £1,700 on getting into Vauxhall's flagship.



Twenty years of helping dreams become reality

MOTORING dreams can become reality more cheaply through kit cars so it is hardly surprising the European Kit and Car Builder Show is celebrating its 20th year.

It returns to the Kent County Showground at Detling, near Maidstone, this Easter (April 4-5) to exhibit exotic yet affordable creations like the Quantum Xtreme (pictured) and Kent-based makers such as Blaze Motorsport Ltd and GKD Sportscars. Parking is free and the show will feature some 35 manufacturers, 50 trade stands and 30 kit car clubs.



BOXING CLEVER?: Limited supplies of Nissan's Cube is driving sales of what could be called a 'Marmite motor' – drivers will either love it or hate it but it's fast becoming a cult car

Nissan produces cult car for the fans of Cubist art

NISSAN'S eye-catching Cube is a 'Marmite motor' – you either love it or hate it.

But the pro-Cubists are passionate and that is driving sales of the rather limited supplies that Nissan expects to bring into the UK for the time being.

Not surprisingly, valuation guides predict robust secondhand prices – CAP reckons the car will be worth 45 per cent of its value after three years/30,000 miles.

The BMW Mini and Fiat 500 cult cars have shown that even the hard-nosed used buyer is prepared to pay more for style and image and the Cube seems set to underline that.

At first glance, it looks like the styling is a long way from some swish design studio or even the hand of a grown-up – it has the wax crayon signature of a five-year-old writ large upon its boxy flanks.

On closer inspection though there is some lovely detail; I particularly like the asymmetric Smeg refrigerator-style rear door, which accentuates curves cleverly worked into the boxy overall design.

The curvy theme contrast is even more obvi-

ROAD TEST NISSAN CUBE

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

ous inside and helps fend off Postman Pat jibes that bedevil van-based MPVs like the terminally ugly Fiat Doblo – it has indeed just been replaced by a more shapely new model – and Peugeot Bipper Tepee.

Interior style – highlighted by a rice-paper style blind for the huge sunroof – is allied with practicality though to make the Cube as much viable MPV as style statement.

It should well and truly end those 'boring Nissan' cracks of the past, however unfair, reminding us instead that the brand used its truly ordinary 1980s Micra K10 supermini to create a family of retro limited edition spin-offs for the Japanese market.

Two of these – the Figaro coupé and S-Cargo van – went on to become much sought grey imports to the UK.

So the Cube upholds a bit of quirky tradition as well as being a thoroughly practical car.

It will never – and was never intended to – set the driver's heart racing, but it would take a long time to become bored with it.

Prices start at £14,000 for the 108bhp 1.6-litre petrol manual model, capable of averaging more than 42.8mpg.

A 1.5-litre diesel joins the range in May.



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USED CAR ROUND-UP: OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

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CITROEN XSARA PICASSO



NO apologies for including the Picasso – it quickly trumped Renault's pioneering Scenic to become the best-seller in the new sector. It's only a five-seater, but the 'jelly mould design' smoothes the edges and corners of a commodious and flexibly equipped box. It rides well when heavily laden, but tends to heel a little on corners. The range features excellent turbodiesels from the Peugeot-Citroën stable and has a good reliability record. Plenty of affordable choice on the used market too.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

FIAT MULTIPLA



EARNING top marks with the motoring press for originality and impact when it arrived in 2000, the original Multipla looked simply too wacky to generate the sales it deserved. A facelift made it more visually acceptable and its practical qualities began to shine. Relatively compact though wide, it allows six to be seated comfortably in two rows and there is plenty of stowage space. It also drives well and the first choice 110bhp JTD turbodiesel is a lively powertrain.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

HONDA FR-V



THOUGH late into this sector, Honda had more time to review the market and decided that Fiat got it right with the Multipla. So the FR-V is another short, wide six-seater with two rows of seats, but not as roomy as the Fiat. Buyers like the reliable Honda engineering and how the dashboard gearshift makes more room in front. The middle front seat can also be staggered backwards to allow a child to be carried closer to mum and dad.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
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C-MAX, 5, f107kpp, insurance group 7 abs air conditioning alarm alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers drivers airbag electricdoor mirrors folding rear seats front electric windows front fog lights heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser passenger airbag power steering radio/cd remote central locking side airbags steering wheel rake adjustment steering wheel reach adjustment 1 owner service history, panther black, 38000 miles, £7000, Crayford, 01322 281525 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.4 Style, 2009, abs brakes air conditioning alarm fitted alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player drivers airbag electric windows immobiliser metallic paint power fold mirrors power steering reverse parking aid tinted glass traction control trip computer curtain airbags front parking sensors remote central locking quickclear windscreen remote audio controls, squeeze green, 3040 miles, £11000, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 1.6 Ghia, 2007, air conditioning cd player drivers airbag electric windows full service history immobiliser power steering twin airbags remote central locking alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player, 14443 miles, £8000, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

FIESTA, 2.0 ST 3DR, gn08vzd, colorado, abs, air conditioning, alloy wheels, folding rear seats, immobiliser, passenger airbag, radio/cd multichanger, rear headrests, sports seats, 3x3 point rear seat belts, alarm, auto remote control, drivers airbag, electricdoor mirrors, front electric windows, front head restraints, heated door mirrors, height adjustable drivers seat, pas, rear wiper, remote central locking, solid paint, trip computer, full size spare wheel, leather seat trim. smc-one of the largest ford main dealer groups. with over 400 ford cars and commercials in stock today.all ford vehicles under three years old come with the balance of three years ford warranty and roadside assistance low rate finance available excellent prices paid for part exchanges, red, 14227 miles, £9995, Sittingbourne, 01795 426693 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.6 Zetec TDCI, 2009, abs brakes air conditioning alarm fitted alloy wheels cd player diesel drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights full service history immobiliser metallic paint multiple airbags power steering trip computer remote central locking quickclear windscreen remote audio controls, panther black, 14728 miles, £12000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 2.0, 2008, silver, 11 miles, £21500, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.8 Zetec S, 2009, abs brakes air conditioning alarm fitted alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights immobiliser metallic paint multiple airbags power steering tinted glass traction control trip computer remote central locking quickclear windscreen remote audio controls, colorado red, 4800 miles, £14000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

FOCUS, 1.8 Zetec, 2009, abs brakes air conditioning alarm fitted alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights immobiliser metallic paint multiple airbags power steering traction control trip computer remote central locking isofix child seat points quickclear windscreen remote audio controls, grey, 2500 miles, £14000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

KA, 1.2 STUDIO 3DR, iX59zpp, passenger airbag, radio/cd, steel wheels, drivers airbag, height adjustable drivers seat, pas, rear wiper, solid paint, steering wheel rake adjustment, isofix child seat anchor points. insurance group 1, red, 4662 miles, £7490, Crayford, 01322 621667 (TRADE)

KA, 1.3, 2008, blue, 12 miles, £9500, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

KUGA, TITANIUM, 2008, 4x4 abs brakes air conditioning alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player diesel electric windows front fog lights half leather trim immobiliser metallic paint leather interior multiple airbags power steering satellite navigation tinted glass curtain airbags remote central locking auto headlights and wipers, frozen white, 2205 miles, £20000, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

KUGA, TDCI Zetec, 2009, metallic moon dust silver, 3224 miles, £23285, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0 Titanium, 2008, abs brakes air conditioning alarm fitted alloy wheels bluetooth car kit cd player cruise control drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights immobiliser metallic paint multiple airbags power steering traction control trip computer remote central locking quickclear windscreen remote audio controls, stardust silver, 3000 miles, £16500, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

TRANSIT, 17 SEAT MINIBUS TREND PACK, ad09sck, 140 ps, minibus, only 1 remaining, tachograph, finance available, full dealer facilities, warranted mileage, warranty, cd player, electric windows, blue tooth hands free, 17 seater, silver, 720 miles, £19995, Crayford, 01322 621667 (TRADE)

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CR-V, Executive 2.0, 2007, 4x4 abs brakes alloy wheels climate control cruise control front fog lights full service history heated seats metallic paint power fold mirrors leather interior multiple airbags power steering split folding rear seats remote central locking remote audio controls, silver, 17265 miles, £12995, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

CR-V, 2.0es, 2000, 4x4 abs brakes air conditioning alloy wheels cd player central locking electric windows full service history immobiliser metallic paint, forest green, 71000 miles, £3995, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

JAZZ, 1.4 Sport, 2007, abs brakes alloy wheels cd player central locking climate control electric windows front fog lights full service history metallic paint multiple airbags power steering, silver, 12000 miles, £8495, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

JAZZ, S 1.3, 2006, abs brakes air conditioning cd player electric windows metallic paint power steering reverse parking aid, jaguar racing green, 32000 miles, £13000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

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S-TYPE, V6 SE Auto, 7396079, air con, climate control, full leather, power steering, parking sensor, traction control, trip computer, cruise control, electric windows, electric mirrors, auto-dip rearview, remote central locking, remote alarm, centre armrest, electric seats, heated seats, height adjustable seat, rear headrests, front fog lamps, rain-sensing wipers, auto lighting, twin air bags, curtain airbags, abs, cd player, radio, steering wheel audio controls, black, 51350 miles, £8990, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

S-TYPE, SE AUTO, 2004, abs brakes air con alloy wheels auto transmission drivers airbag electric windows full service history metallic paint leather interior power steering, black, 51350 miles, £8990, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

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XJ, V8 SE Auto, 2004, abs brakes air con alarm fitted alloys auto transmission central locking climate control cruise control drivers airbag electric windows immobiliser leather interior multiple airbags power steering reverse parking aid, jaguar racing green, 32000 miles, £13000, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

XJ, V8 SE Auto, 2004, abs brakes air con alarm fitted alloy wheels auto transmission central locking climate control cruise control drivers airbag electric windows immob leather interior multiple airbags power steering reverse parking aid, jaguar racing green, 32000 miles, £13000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496 (TRADE)

XJR, 4.2, 2008, silver, 50 miles, £50300, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

XX, Supercharged, 2008, abs brakes air con alarm fitted alloys auto transmission bluetooth car kit cd player central locking climate control cruise control drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights full service history heated seats immobiliser metallic paint power fold mirrors leather interior power steering reverse parking aid satellite navigation tinted glass traction control trip computer xenon headlamps front parking sensors remote central locking auto headlights and wipers, botanical green, 31000 miles, £40000, Ashford, 0844 826 5918 (TRADE)

XX, XK8 CONVERTIBLE, 2004, abs brakes air con alarm fitted alloy wheels auto transmission cd player central locking climate control drivers airbag electric windows full service history heated seats immobiliser metallic paint power fold mirrors leather interior multiple airbags power steering, midnight black, 30000 miles, £21900, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

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• 3 BED EXTENDED SEMI DETACHED
• 2 RECEPTIONS
• MODERN FITTED KITCHEN
• CLOAKROOM

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- POPULAR LOCATION
- CLOSE TO AMENITIES
- GARAGE
- INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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• CONSERVATORY
• CUL- DE- SAC LOCATION
• SECLUDED REAR GARDEN

£229,995

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• 3 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
• 2 RECEPTION ROOMS
• FAMILY BATHROOM
• DOWNSTAIRS CLOAKROOM



- GARAGE/DRIVEWAY
- FRONT AND REAR GARDENS
- POPULAR LOCATION
- INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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Wigmore
• 4 BEDROOM DETACHED
• GEORGIAN STYLE
• CLOAKROOM
• REFITTED KITCHEN

OIEO £375,000

- EN SUITE
- LOUNGE
- GARAGE AND DRIVE
- CONSERVATORY

REF: Rainham_611585



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• 3 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
• 2 RECEPTIONS
• UTILITY ROOM
• EN-SUITE

£205,000

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• 3 BEDROOM TERRACED
• 1930 STYLE
• LOFT ROOM
• KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM



- LOUNGE
- NO FORWARD CHAIN
- CELLAR
- DINING AREA

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• 3 BEDROOMS
• 2 RECEPTION ROOMS
• DOWNSTAIRS WET ROOM

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- CONSERVATORY
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• 1 BEDROOM STARTER HOME
• LOUNGE / DINER
• KITCHEN
• NO FORWARD CHAIN

REF: Walderslade_601135



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• 4 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
• 19FT REFITTED KITCHEN
• 2/3 RECEPTION ROOMS
• CONSERVATORY



- EN SUITE
- CLOAKROOM
- GOOD SIZE GARDEN
- GARAGE AND DRIVE

£275,000

REF: Rainham_603545



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• END OF TERRACE
• 3 BEDROOMS
• 2 RECEPTIONS
• KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM

£170,000

- EXTENDED
- GARAGE
- MUST BE SEEN
- INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

REF: Walderslade_607995



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• DETACHED HOME
• 3 BEDROOMS
• KITCHEN DINER
• LOUNGE

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• 3 BED/200 DETACHED
• 19FT REFITTED KITCHEN
• 2/3 RECEPTION ROOMS
• SEMI RURAL LOCATION



- LARGE GARDEN
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- COUNTRYSIDE VIEWS
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• APARTMENT
• 1 BEDROOM
• 1 RECEPTION ROOM
• MODERN FITTED KITCHEN

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- PARKING
- CLOSE TO TOWN CENTRE
- OFFERED WITH NO FORWARD CHAIN
- INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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Gillingham
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• LOUNGE
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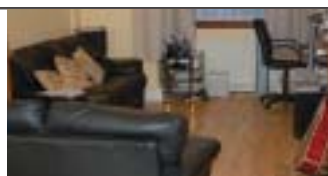
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- LOUNGE / DINING ROOM
- REFITTED KITCHEN
- GARAGE AND DRIVE

REF: Rainham_60494S



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- SEMI DETACHED HOME
- 3 BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE / DINER
- CUL-DE-SAC POSITION



OIEO £150,000

- POPULAR LOCATION
- IDEAL FOR GROWING FAMILY
- DOUBLE GLAZING
- NO FORWARD CHAIN

REF: Walderslade_61006S



Hempstead

- 2 BEDROOM END TERRACE
- KITCHEN
- LOUNGE DINER
- DOUBLE BEDROOMS



OIEO £154,995

- LANDSCAPED GARDEN
- GARAGE
- DOUBLE GLAZING
- POPULAR LOCATION

REF: Rainham_61882S



Rainham **£229,995**

- 3 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOME
- CONSERVATORY
- CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION
- SECLUDED REAR GARDEN

REF: Rainham_60349S



Wigmore

- SEMI DETACHED HOME
- 3 BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN / DINER



Guide Price £210,000 - £220,000

- EXTENDED TO REAR
- DRIVE
- SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
- MUST BE VIEWED

REF: Rainham_60148S



Chatham

- BUNGALOW
- 2 BEDROOMS
- 1 RECEPTION ROOM
- FLAT PLOT



£160,000

- ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
- GARAGE TO SIDE
- DOUBLE GLAZING AND GCH
- INTERNAL VIEWING RECOMMENDED

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- GROUND FLOOR
- COMMUNAL AREA
- 1 RECEPTION ROOM

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- END OF TERRACE HOME
- 3 BEDROOMS
- LOUNGE
- KITCHEN / DINER



£155,000

- GARDEN
- GARAGE
- POPULAR LOCATION
- NO CHAIN

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- 3 BEDROOM DETACHED
- LOUNGE
- CONSERVATORY
- DOWNSTAIRS CLOAKROOM



£250,000

- KITCHEN/DINER
- ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
- SAUNA ROOM / HOT TUB
- GARAGE

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- 2 BEDROOM TERRACED
- MODERN FITTED KITCHEN
- DOUBLE BEDROOMS
- DINING AREA

REF: Walderslade_62977S



Rainham

- TERRACE HOUSE
- 3 BEDROOMS
- 1 RECEPTION ROOM
- CONSERVATORY



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- INTEGRAL GARAGE
- POPULAR LOCATION
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- INTERNAL VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

REF: Rainham_62027S



Maidstone

- SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
- 2 SPACIOUS RECEPTION ROOMS
- DOWNSTAIRS SHOWER ROOM
- FIRST FLOOR BATHROOM



OIEO £240,000

- MODERN KITCHEN
- GOOD SIZE REAR GARDEN
- OFF ROAD PARKING
- CLOSE TO AMENITIES

REF: Walderslade_62653S



Chatham **OIEO £130,000**

- 3 BEDROOM TERRACE HOUSE
- 2 RECEPTION ROOMS
- UPSTAIRS BATHROOM
- GOOD SIZE REAR GARDEN

REF: Walderslade_60187S



Walderslade

- 3 BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED
- MODERN FITTED KITCHEN/DINER
- SPLIT LEVEL LOUNGE
- MODERN BATHROOM



£229,995

- GARAGE/DRIVEWAY
- SOUGHT AFTER LOCATION
- ENCLOSED REAR GARDENS
- CLOSE TO AMENITIES

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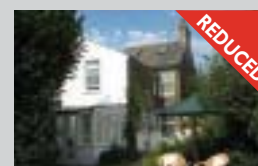


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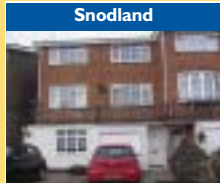


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	<p>THAMESVIEW SCHOOL with Business & Enterprise Status Thong Lane, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 4LF Headteacher: Miss R. Hughes B.Ed Hons</p> <p>Tel: 01474 566552 Fax: 01474 537405</p>
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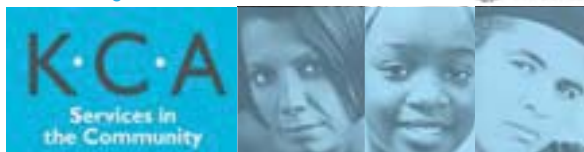
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BIG IMPROVEMENTS: Faversham's water polo team

Brown four-goal hero as team win test series

THREE years after reforming, Faversham's water polo team lifted its first piece of silverware with victory in the Winter Test Series.

The shield, also contested by Royal Tunbridge Wells Monson and Sevenoaks, was clinched with victory over RTW Monson and marked the improvement shown by the team over the last 12 months.

Nigel Brown was the four-goal hero for Faversham, scoring twice in each half to provide the platform for a handsome victory.

Andy Brown also got himself on the score-sheet early on and although RTW struck back at the start of the second quarter,

WATER POLO

Faversham 7

Royal Tunbridge Wells Monson 4

Faversham led 4-1 at the halfway stage.

The goals continued to flow after the interval and RTW were left with a mountain to climb when they lost a player due to three major fouls. Faversham suffered the same fate, but the game was in the bag and they held on to win comfortably.

The test series was set-up in 2008, to allow more winter games to be played between RTW Monson and Faversham, who have been closely matched in the Kent League.

Things have not been easy for Faversham, who play their home games at Kings Swimming Pool in Canterbury, and the team are keenly anticipating the summer season when they return to playing in their outdoor pool in the town.

Faversham are now looking forward to finishing the East Invicta league with a late flourish and then preparing for the start of the Kent League in the summer.

SUPERBIKES

Pictures: ALTHEA RACING



FIGHTING FIT: Shane Byrne heads to Portugal

Byrne raring to go after Aussie woes

SHANE Byrne is determined to show his World Superbike Championship title credentials this weekend after witnessing his team-mate taste victory last time out.

The 34-year-old Sheppey rider endured a difficult opening round of the season at Australia's Phillip Island last month and is eager to rectify his lowly championship standing in the second round in Portugal this Sunday.

Two high-speed accidents in qualifying in Australia saw Byrne race with severe bruising and he was unable to give 100 per cent in the races.

To make matters worse, team-mate Carlos Checa won the second race, while the former two-time British Superbike champion had to settle with 14th and 12th-placed finishes from the two races.

However, now fully recovered he is looking forward to setting the record straight at Portugal's Portimao circuit.

The venue has been a favourite of Shakey's after success in testing and two fourth-place finishes last year and he will hope to go one better this year and snatch a place on the podium.

He said: "After my disastrous weekend in Australia the second round couldn't come fast enough for me."

"If I had one wish after Australia it would've been that round two came the following weekend. I really look forward to the rest of the championship and I hope to give the team many more races like Carlos's fantastic race in Australia."

"All through testing and early practice we showed we had the speed."

"But I just feel disappointed for Genesio Bevilacqua, the team owner, because he put a lot of faith in me giving me that ride in 2010. I really wanted to be Carlos at Phillip Island and be the one giving Genesio the podiums."

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LOSING GROUND: Jimmy Bottle's (left) corner almost gave Sittingbourne the lead in Saturday's defeat at Leatherhead with Hicham Akhazzan (right) grabbing Bourne's second goal



Pictures: IOR KUPCO

Manners' heroics can't save ten-man Bourne from defeat

SITTINGBOURNE'S play-off hopes are fading fast after they lost further ground on their rivals following defeat at Leatherhead on Saturday.

The Brickies had to play for 76 minutes with ten men and no recognised goalkeeper after Deren Ibrahim – just back from injury – was red-carded for up-ending Greg Andrews as he raced through on goal.

As he did against Folkestone Invicta, midfielder Billy Manners donned the gloves and prepared to face the resulting penalty, but Andrews sent a pitiful effort trickling wide of the post.

The respite lasted only two minutes, however, before Manners was picking the ball out of the back of his net. He did well to parry a shot, but Jack Mcleod was on hand to crash the ball home and give the Tanners a 1-0 lead on 25 minutes.

Keen to make up for his earlier miss, Andrews twice went close to doubling the lead as the Brickies struggled to find a foothold.

First, he drew an excellent save from Manners and then struck the crossbar with an acrobatic overhead kick.

It was therefore against the run of play when Sittingbourne drew level just after the half-hour. Nick Reeves climbed well to meet a cross,

FOOTBALL

■ BY PETER PITTS

Leatherhead 4

Mcleod 25, Andrews 47, Hutchins 74, Barilli 90

Sittingbourne 2

Bourne 32, Akhazzan 54

heading the ball back across goal where his centre-back partner Matt Bourne was on hand to apply the finishing touch.

The hosts could easily have led at the break as Manners made his best save of the day, tipping over Mark Simmons' rasping effort from 25 yards.

Just as the Brickies thought they had ridden out the Leatherhead storm, the second-half started in disastrous fashion with Andrews finally getting his goal – a curling effort beyond the despairing dive of Manners.

Tired legs and a sticky pitch looked like spelling the end of Sittingbourne's challenge, but they somehow roused themselves once more to grab a second equaliser. Colin

Sittingbourne starting XI



Subs used: Kayembe (Bottle 83mins)

Richmond's cross was only partially cleared and when the ball fell to Hicham Akhazzan, he rifled a shot into the net to stun the hosts.

Tom Bradbrook could have edged Gary Abbott's side ahead when he rose to meet Jimmy Bottle's corner, but he failed to keep his header down and Leatherhead seized control.

Finally, the Brickies' resistance cracked in the 74th minute when Tommy Hutchins blasted a shot past Manners and Steve Barilli's free-kick in stoppage-time merely put a gloss on the scoreline.

Sittingbourne, who host Godalming Town tomorrow night (Thursday), were in action at Whyteleafe last night. Log on to www.yourswale.co.uk for match details.

Tired Town lose unbeaten home record to Fisher

FOOTBALL

BY STEVE Tervet

Faversham Town 0

Fisher 1

Akala 22

FAVERSHAM Town's proud unbeaten home record came to an unexpected end on Saturday as lowly Fisher stole the points to stun the Kent League leaders.

Lilywhites boss Justin Luchford admitted his side were "awful" and was left to rue tiredness and injuries which contributed to a flat display at Salters Lane.

Town lost no ground in the title race as second-placed Herne Bay also lost, 1-0 at Corinthian, to remain 13 points behind Faversham with three games in hand.

Luchford said: "They will be doubly gutted because they've lost their game and then found out we've lost ours."

"We were awful – Fisher set out their stall and once they got the goal, they put ten men behind the ball. We looked jaded – we had eight players either injured or carrying knocks and it was a game we could have done without."

Indeed, Town started the game without



CROCKED: John-Paul Collier came off due to an injury

Ashley Brown, Dane Luchford, Buster Smissen and the suspended Dave Botterill, before losing John-Paul Collier to injury in the 15th minute.

Seven minutes later, the visitors were ahead when Cedric Abraham's flick-on was met by Rafael Akala, who nipped in at the back post to flick the ball past Town goalkeeper Rob French.

Faversham starting XI



Subs used: O'Brien (Collier 15), Smissen (Soutan 70), Preston (Dodsworth 80)

The Fish continued to trouble their lethargic hosts in a game spoiled by the strong wind and French had to save well from Luke Coleman as Faversham went into half-time one down.

The quality of Richard Sinden in attack gave Fisher more to think about after the break, but the striker spurned three one-one-one opportunities to sum up Town's performance.

Luchford said: "I always knew it would be a struggle – we were missing Ashley Brown at centre-half and that was a big miss. It is a disappointment [to lose home record], but we have four games to go at home so if we can go through those without losing, we'll only have lost one home game and that's an impressive record."

Faversham must wait until April 1 for the ground graders to return to Salters Lane, having made the necessary improvements asked of them by the Ryman League.

Without a game until the visit of Deal Town on Tuesday, Luchford has given his players a week off training in order to regain their sharpness for the final seven games of the season.

FOOTBALL



Picture: NICK DINCAN

Injury-time winner leaves all Norton's hard work undone

Beckenham Town 2 Norton Sports 1

NORTON Sports almost completed their sixth league draw in a row on Saturday, but were undone by a Beckenham Town winner in added-time.

The home side had the best of the early possession, but it was the visitors who had the better chances, with Ashley Baverstock crossing for Tony Clark at the far post, only for the Town goalkeeper to save well.

As the half progressed, Norton came more into the game, but central defenders Lewis Rivett and Lewis Taylor had to work hard to keep the Beckenham attackers at bay.

On 41 minutes, Baverstock slipped his marker and rounded the keeper, but his shot from a narrow angle was blocked for a corner. Ryan Rook's whipped delivery into the near post was then deflected by Darren Wise into his own net and Norton were ahead.

Norton continued to create half-chances after the break, but failed to increase their lead – debutant Andy Irvine going closest to making it 2-0 in the 65th minute.

With 20 minutes remaining, Beckenham broke and although Chris Smith saved the first shot, Durrant Jemmott turned home the rebound.

Beckenham started to create pressure on the Norton defence who were working hard to keep their side in the game.

However, they created few clear-cut opportunities and the game seemed destined for a draw until Fehmi Emiralioglu converted from the edge of the box in the 94th minute.

The result left Ben Taylor's side without a win in eight league outings and six points off the bottom of the Kent League table, although they still have games in hand over all the sides around them.

Norton were back in action last night as they travelled to Deal Town. Log on to www.yoursware.co.uk for a report.

LEAGUE TABLE

RYMAN DIVISION ONE SOUTH

(Not including midweek games)

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Croydon Athletic	31	20	6	5	+37	66
2 Worthing	34	21	3	10	+27	66
3 Folkestone Inv (-10)	33	23	6	4	+24	65
4 Fleet Town	34	18	5	11	+20	59
5 Walton & Herisham	34	16	7	11	+9	55
6 Godalming Town (-3)	31	18	3	10	+16	54
7 Leatherhead	32	15	6	11	+16	51
8 Burgess Hill Town	32	14	9	9	+8	51
9 Sittingbourne	31	15	5	11	+19	50
10 Horsham YMCA	36	12	13	11	+5	49
11 Metropolitan Police	33	13	9	11	+10	48
12 Whyteleafe	34	13	5	16	+5	44
13 Ramsgate	33	11	11	11	-3	44
14 Corinthian-Casuals	34	13	3	18	-14	42
15 Chatham Town	34	13	3	18	-15	42
16 Dulwich Hamlet	33	10	10	13	-5	40
17 Merstham	34	10	9	15	-14	39
18 Chipstead	33	8	7	18	-17	31
19 Ashford Town	31	7	8	16	-29	29
20 Eastbourne Town	34	6	10	18	-30	28
21 Walton Casuals	35	6	8	21	-25	26
22 Whitstable Town	32	8	2	22	-44	26

KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

1 Faversham Town	23	18	2	3	+40	56
2 Herne Bay	20	14	1	5	+19	43
3 Beckenham Town	23	12	5	6	+20	41
4 Sevenoaks Town	22	12	4	6	+11	40
5 Hythe Town	22	9	8	5	+24	35
6 Greenwich Borough	23	9	7	7	+7	34
7 Deal Town	21	9	6	6	+3	33
8 Erith & Belvedere	23	9	6	8	-5	33
9 Erith Town	21	9	5	7	+7	32
10 Tunbridge Wells	23	7	7	9	-2	28
11 Holmesdale	22	8	3	11	+1	27
12 Sporting Bengal Utd	28	7	4	17	-41	25
13 Norton Sports	21	5	6	10	-9	21
14 Fisher	22	5	4	13	-23	19
15 Corinthian	23	5	3	15	-29	18
16 Lordswood	23	2	9	12	-23	15

FIXTURES (Thursday): Ryman Division One South: **Sittingbourne** v Godalming Town; **(Saturday):** Ryman Division One South: **Sittingbourne** v Worthing; Kent League Premier Division: Tunbridge Wells v **Norton Sports**

Sittingbourne left stunned as Olavians turn the tables

RUGBY

Sittingbourne 5 Old Olavians 26

HOME comforts were in short supply for Sittingbourne on Saturday as they went down to a surprise home defeat against Old Olavians at The Grove.

The sides drew the reverse fixture 10-10 in December and Bourne went into the game as favourites, with designs on a top-three finish in Kent 1, but Olavians produced one of their best displays of the season to cause an upset.

The only consolation for Sittingbourne was supplied by local rivals Sheppey, who won 23-7 at Guy's Hospital – the side challenging Bourne for third place.

Sheppey's transformation in the second-half of the season has been remarkable, with all seven of their league wins coming since the turn of the year. Guy's, who won handily at Sittingbourne in February, could have been forgiven for expecting to turn in a similar performance against the Islanders, but Sheppey's form shows no signs of slowing as the season nears its end.

Sittingbourne remain fourth in the table, a point behind Guy's, with three fixtures remaining for both. Bourne travel to Ashford on Saturday, while Sheppey entertain newly-crowned champions Dartfordians at The Ditch, looking to inflict only their second league defeat of the season.

Meanwhile, Sheppey's junior sections came together for Sport Relief on Sunday.

The club donated their weekly fees and also had a collection in the club, raising £220.



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COMFORT: Sittingbourne were grateful to Sheppey who beat Guy's, the other side fighting for third place

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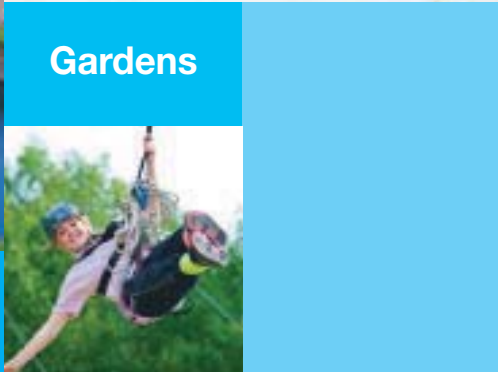
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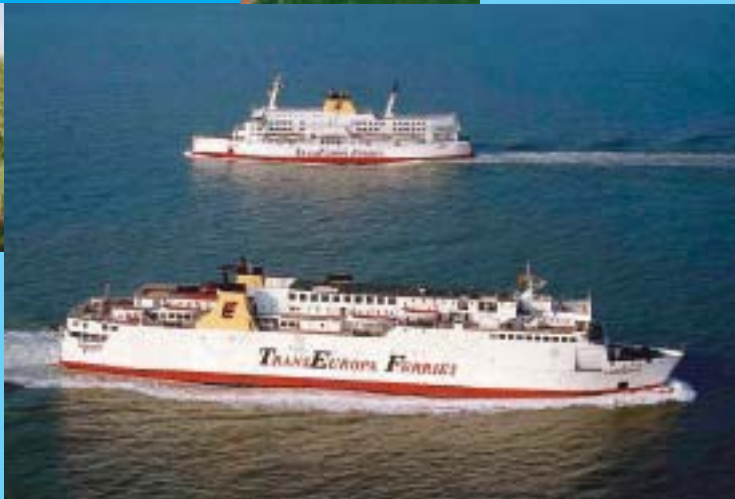
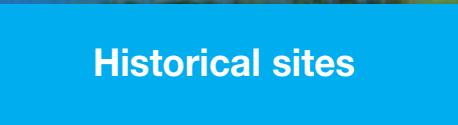


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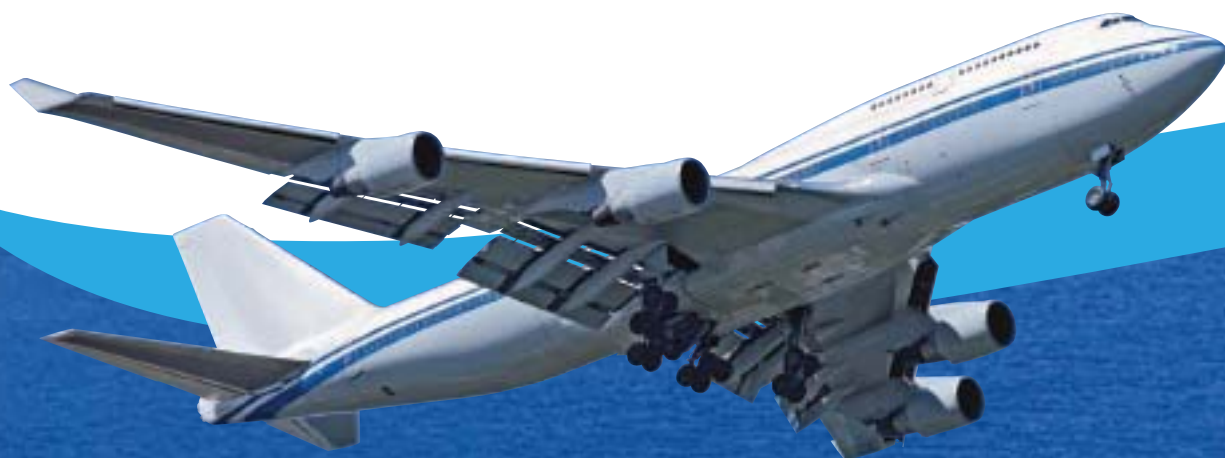


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